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PERSISTENT ACTIVITY BY "ENEMY" BOMBING PLANES HAS INFLICTED CONSIDERABLE MATERIAL DAMAGE UPON THE COLONY'S DEFENCES IN THE LAST 24 HOURS.

Land and sea attacks have also been carried out with varying success, but Blueand, for the moment, is endeavouring to destroy morale by aerial attacks.

Shrill sirens signalled yet another warning at about two o'clock this afternoon, and the city was severely bombed.

The official communique states:

The past twenty-four hours have witnessed a number of Blue attacks of all natures at various points of Redland. No state of war exists at present between Northland and Redland.

BAD FLYING CONDITIONS

Last night enemy destroyers attacked the Eastern and Western entrances. The Eastern entrance attacks resulted in a small party of the enemy entering the fort at Devil's Peak and doing damage to a gun: the party was driven off and one Blue destroyer was sunk.

The gun will be repaired by noon to-day. The attacks on the Western entrance were beaten off and two Blue destroyers were sunk: a gallant attempt by the enemy to land on Stonecutters Island was easily repulsed. Red patrol craft did valuable work in detecting and reporting Blue destroyers and submarines off Red coast line at various points.

Blue air action has been hampered by bad flying conditions. Considerable damage has however

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CRUISER'S DASH TO TANGIER

London, To-day.

A message from Gibraltar states that the cruiser "Devonshire" left there for Tangier suddenly yesterday.

So sudden was the cruiser's sailing that a number of the crew on shore leave were left behind.

In spite of the cruiser's precipitate departure, a statement in Gibraltar asserts that rumours of trouble in Tangier are unfounded. Trans-Ocean.

French Ambassador Shot By Woman On Platform

Paris, To-day.

An attempt was made on the life of Count Louis Charles de Chambrun at the Gare du Nord yesterday.

A SHOT WAS FIRED AT THE FAMOUS FRENCH DIPLOMAT BY A WOMAN JOURNALIST AND FRIEND OF HIS, MADAME DE MONTAGNE.

COUNT LOUIS WAS JUST ABOUT TO BOARD THE EXPRESS FOR BRUSSELS WHEN HE WAS SHOT DOWN.

His plain-clothes detective guard had relaxed his attention for a minute when Madame de Montagne stepped from behind a pillar and fired a revolver, the bullet lodging in the diplomat's abdomen.

Count Louis, who had one foot on the step as he was about to enter the saloon car of the Paris-Brussels express, collapsed in the arms of a friend.

NOT LIKELY TO BE FATAL

The wounded diplomat was immediately rushed to a private clinic near the station, where examination showed that the injury, though serious, is not likely to prove fatal.

Madame de Montagne, the would-be assassin, was seized by witnesses of the drama and handed over to gendarmes.

Questioned by the police after her arrest, she would not explain but asserted that she had made Count Louis' acquaintance in Italy when he was French Ambassador to Rome.

DESCENDANT OF LAFAYETTE

Count Louis de Chambrun is a great-grandson of the Marquis de Lafayette.

After holding various diplomatic posts he was appointed Minister to Athens in 1925.

The following year he became Minister in Vienna and in 1928 was appointed Ambassador to Turkey, from which post he was transferred to Rome in 1933.

As French Ambassador to Rome, Count de Chambrun successfully

pursued a policy aiming at Franco-Italian understanding, and the friendly relations which existed between the two countries until the outbreak of the Abyssinian war were largely due to his efforts. Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai Siege Raised

Shanghai, To-day.

The Shanghai Municipal Council's siege of Chinese tax defaulters on extra-settlement roads has been raised following an agreement with the Chinese authorities.

The agreement states that the Chinese authorities guarantee payment of the rates and arrears. — Reuter.

Paderewski Ill

Warsaw, To-day.

M. Ignacy Paderewski, the famous pianist and first President of Poland, is ill with influenza.

As he is now in his eighty-eighth year and never of a very robust constitution, his illness is causing his friends some uneasiness. — Trans-Ocean.

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SECRET OF GERMAN FINANCES

SOUND RELATIONSHIP OF MONEY AND COMMODITIES

— Dr. Schacht.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin, To-day.

"The secret of the source of Germany's funds for the work of creation of national defence and other projects is merely one of strict financial discipline," declared Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, at the general meeting of the Bank's directors yesterday morning.

"EVEN WHEN ONE'S TOTAL FINANCIAL MEANS ARE SLIGHT, MUCH CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WHEN THEY ARE PROPERLY CONTROLLED," HE STATED.

Germany's present financial plight, he continued, was due to war inflation, to reparations and the mismanagement of former years, all of which had combined to undermine the financial foundation of the German economic system.

ELASTICITY POLICY

The Reich to-day was in no danger of floundering financially, because their financial policy was one of caution and strict control, though immediate action was taken when the situation demanded it.

Dr. Schacht emphasised that this elasticity on the part of the Reichsbank was not in contradiction to the fundamental principles of finance.

He declared that Germany's present financial policy began where the credit policy stopped, and that its goal was the establishment of a sound relationship between money and goods.

SO-CALLED MIRACLE

The so-called "miracle" of German finance was nothing more than a constant endeavour, as credit volume increased, to bring about the return of the same amount of money to the Reichsbank that had left it.

This was accomplished through long-term loans or through placing the proceeds of short-term loans at the disposal of the economic system through promissory notes of the German gold discount bank.

Speaking of the future, Dr. Schacht declared that the problem of consolidating loans would present increasing difficulties but that the Reichsbank would also face these tasks with determination and a sense of responsibility. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN GIFT TO LONDON

"Germanica Historica" Volumes

London, To-day.

At the centenary celebrations of the foundation of London University yesterday, the German Ambassador, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, presented the University with a gift from the German people of a collection of historical works.

The collection totals 2,600 volumes, including the last existing complete copy of the monumental "Germanica Historica," the most authentic source of information on mediaeval Germany.

The presentation was made in the Institute of Historical Research and the wish was expressed by Herr von Ribbentrop that the British and German peoples might come to understand each other better. — Trans-Ocean.

No More Rent Tax

Canton, To-day.

The Kwangtung Provincial Government has approved the petition of the Canton merchants that no more rent tax be levied in Canton from now on. The Government at one time imposed a special tax of one month's rent, payable half by the landlords and half by tenants, whenever the Government needed some money for special expenses. — Our Own Correspondent.

The fourth annual general meeting of the Kowloon Tong Garden City Association will be held at the Clubhouse on Thursday, March 25, at 6 p.m.

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TO-DAY & TO-MORROW.

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THE WORLD GOES BY

WITH something of a shock we read the other day that Oxford, so long content to whisper from her towers the last enchantment of the Middle Ages (as jolly old Matt Arnold said) is now bawling at the top of her voice for \$750,000 to extend research.

In prim, precise accents an elderly literary don of our acquaintance confirmed the urgency of the appeal, as our brief conversation shows: "You're really asking for \$750,000?"

"Yuh, 750,000 berries. Seven hundred and fifty thousand sweet smackers."

"It's a lot of money."

"Yuh, well, see the boys figure it this way, there's a whole lot of guys about just lousy with dough that'll may be line up for a hand-out when they get live to the idea there's class to this racket, or maybe they won't."

"You sound rather bitter."

"Me? I'm not sore. I just got a yen for a dame."

"Who?"

"Joan Crawford. Boy, those eyes! And can that baby roll them! Listen. I went round to the pix last night . . ."

The old story. Love generally arrives late in Oxford, but when he does he sweeps every Senior Common Room like a fiery cyclone.

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The Church condemns childless marriages.

The marriage service urges the desirability of having children.

Ministers cry out against declining birth-rates.

Bishops thunder against birth control.

And here is an ad. in a Home paper:

"Caretakers for Church Schools wanted. Must be married couple, the man to act as assistant vergar. Must be communicants of the Church of England and no children."

* * *

We are used, in England, to brand new houses faked up to look as if they had been there when Drake holed out in one or the Hoe.

We have heard about the imitation log cabin which serves as the bar on one of America's latest streamlined Diesel trains.

But one of the best things so far produced by this cult for disguising things to look anything but what they are, is an aeroplane hangar built to look like a Tudor cottage with a thatched roof.

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There's a big epidemic of influenza raging in Buffalo and they are getting desperate about it. Employers can't get anything done because most of their staffs are in bed.

Now the municipal authorities have stepped in. They have plastered buses and railway stations with the sign "Stop that Kiss."

The offices in the Town Hall also display the notice very prominently. The chief clerk in a statement said:

"Of course, kissing is infectious. We have about three couples here a week and they seem to think this a place to practise. It isn't healthy, you know."

* * *

"I always say that rooms with light-coloured walls are so much more cheerful than rooms with

Purdah Banned In Albania

Tirana, To-day.

Albanian Moslem women will in future not only be permitted, but required, to reveal their facial charms, if a Bill submitted to the Albanian Parliament by the Government receives the sanction of the deputies.

The Bill demands abolition of the heavy black veil which Moslem women in the country are forced to wear in public.

It threatens with prison terms up to six months and heavy fines any husband or father who by persuasion, threats or force compel their female relatives to hide their features behind the veil.

The Bill is said to have been sponsored by the Church, which regards the veil as injurious to health.—Trans-Ocean.

WEDDING BELLS IN KOWLOON

Miss Margaret George
And Mr. Sullivan

Miss Margaret Olwin George and Mr. William Sullivan of the H. K. Police, were married yesterday afternoon at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

The bride, charming in a gown of white spotted tulle over pale pink satin, was given away by her father.

The Misses Dagmar Rohel, Moira Paley, and Rosemary Ann Read, were bridesmaids. They were gowned in pale pink, mauve and blue tulle over matching shaded satin.

The bride's twin sister, Mrs. W. Stephens, as Matron of Honour, wore blue moire taffeta with navy accessories and carried pink roses.

Mrs. George, the bride's mother, was gowned in a brown silk crepe tunic ensemble.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, No. 1, Minden Avenue.

SIR JAMES CURRIE PASSES

War Time War Office
Organiser

London, To-day.

The death occurred yesterday of Sir James Currie, director of the Empire Cotton Growing Corporation, at the age of 69.

Sir James did useful work in the Great War and was knighted for his services in 1919.

He was Assistant Surveyor-General of Supply at the War Office, War Office representative on the American board and Chairman of the Army clothing committee.

From 1919 to 1920 he was personal assistant to the Minister of Munitions.—Reuter.

dark-coloured walls, that's why. I always paint the walls a light colour when I want to make the rooms look cheerful." — *Household Chat*.

And with this very profound thought I will leave you.

ULYSSES.

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COL. SLEEMAN, ST. JOHN AMBULANCE VISITOR, ON WORLD CRISIS

"The importance of educating the civilian population to the steps to be taken in the event of a gas attack, cannot be too strongly emphasised. Obviously, if the enemy has to choose between attacking a strongly fortified military position, with the troops all fully prepared for gas warfare, and the civilian population unprotected, the latter will be the choice, and they will then be the first to clamour for peace," said Col. J. L. Sleeman, of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, who arrived in the Colony this morning. The distinguished visitor was met by Mr. A. Morris, Mr. A. el-Arculli and other representatives of the local branch of the Brigade.

Chief Commissioner Overseas, Colonel Sleeman, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., M.V.O., M.A., arrived in the "Cathay" following his inspection tours in South Africa, Rhodesia, New Zealand, Australia, India, Burma, Ceylon and Singapore; as representing the Grand Prior of that Order, His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught K.G.

Colonel Sleeman served in both the South African and Great Wars, and was responsible for the experiments which resulted in the introduction of the entrenching tool to the British army prior to the Great War; one which saved the lives of countless thousands. Later he was Director of Military Training, Officer-in-Charge Air Services to the New Zealand Forces, and Chief of Staff to Admiral Viscount Jellicoe, when the latter was Governor-General of New Zealand. He is the grandson of General Sir William Sleeman, K.C.B., famous for his discovery and suppression of Thuggee in India, a religion of murder which had lasted for over three centuries and been responsible for the murder of over a million people.

AFTER EIGHT YEARS

Interviewed, Colonel Sleeman said:—I am delighted to find myself back once more in Hong Kong, which I last visited in 1929; Not only because of its charm; but also because those of its members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas have done so magnificently during the several, and severe, tests of ambulance efficiency which have fallen to their lot during recent years. The Order of St. John possesses the very deepest admiration for the noble, indeed heroic, part which 82 of its members played during the Sino-Japanese fighting at Shanghai in 1932; when they responded to an appeal for humanitarian service, and staffed a temporary Hospital there of 580 beds for over two months. As a consequence these very splendid ambulance men and women saved the lives of hundreds of wounded Chinese and treated the injuries of many thousands. It should be made clear that this was in the nature of a special emergency call; for normally our Brigade exists purely and simply to supply the ambulance needs of those within the British Empire.

COMMON HUMANITY

In other words such special service as our Brigade at Hong Kong gave upon this occasion was only dictated by common humanity and because no other ambulance body was then in readiness to respond to the call. Then we have the case of the tragic explosion of a gasometer in 1934, when all members of the Hong Kong St. John Ambulance Brigade were among the first to arrive to render help, and gave most splendid service to the survivors. These are but two of many examples of the need for efficient ambulance organisations; and that these were in existence speaks volumes for the foresight, wisdom and humanitarian spirit of residents in Hong Kong and to the stimulative patronage always given by those in high authority. Space forbids my mentioning the many who have contributed to this magnificent result; but the Hong Kong Corps owes its existence chiefly to the capable and zealous example and leadership of its Director of Ambulance, Alfred Morris Esq.

It must be a great satisfaction to all to know that through their understanding help and encouragement, many human lives have already been saved, and that to-day a Corps of over 500 trained ambulance men and women

stands ever ready to help to save human life and to lessen pain and suffering.

ARMY OF PEACE

What better than to belong to a great Army of Peace, totalling 100,000 men and women—all highly efficient in first aid giving up their leisure hours in this service to humanity. Here is no service where questions of pay and allowances bulk large in the minds of those who serve. Its reward is alone that of service to the sick and the suffering; its duties often the most distressing which human eyes can witness.

Never was service so required as it is to-day; when motor-car accidents alone are mounting at the rate of 25,000, annually, and when aggressive nations are "rattling the sabre" and again threatening to disturb the long-for Peace of the World.

GREAT EMERGENCY

It is, indeed, a time of National Emergency, in which "toys" should be packed away in play-boxes and amusements relegated to their proper place. One in which every thinking man and woman should prepare themselves to defend their Empire, or at least be able to save human life, and lessen pain and suffering, whether such knowledge be required for normal times, or for grave emergency. Who could possibly think that the time for Ambulance action has not yet arrived when the British Empire—which has set such a noble example of its desire for permanent Peace—is now engaged in spending £850,000 a day in preparations for defence?

Fortunately, there are many in Hong Kong who have long realised this necessity; with the result that I come here conscious of the fact that you have done excellently and that I am to inspect some most efficient Ambulance, Nursing and Cadet Divisions. Hong Kong has indeed set a splendid example.

May I seize this opportunity of extending to all members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Hong Kong the best thanks for the work they have done, and his warmest congratulations, from His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught; who also desired me to extend his most grateful thanks to all those British and Chinese officials and residents in Hong Kong who have done so much to help forward this fine ambulance service."

U.S. STEEL CORPORATION AND MR. LEWIS

Pittsburgh, To-day.

The presidents of five subsidiary companies of the United States Steel Corporation yesterday signed a contract with Mr. John L. Lewis, head of the Steelworkers' Union.

The contract provides for settlement of all labour disputes without resort to strikes.

The contract completes the agreement signed on March 2, in which the Carnegie Steel Corporation recognised the Steelworkers' Union as a collective bargaining agency for the Union's members.

Yesterday's contract also provides recognition of workers' seniority rights and a week's holiday with pay for those employed for five years.—Reuter.



MOVIE STUFF

This, Susan thought, was what you got for acting Like Someone in a Movie.....

childhood favourite of mine, named Raggy-lug."

He didn't move and, as far as the shadows allowed her to see, looked doubtful.

"Come, come," coaxed, "must I lure you with carrots?"

"All right," he said, and wriggling out from under the low bed, inquired, "Will you go to the Junior Prom with me?"

He was a very good-looking young man and seemed quite sane, even smart, in a double-breasted dinner jacket with a maroon carnation in his lapel. He was tall, and had black hair and blue eyes.

"I am not accustomed," he said, coldly, "to meeting people from under beds."

"It's certainly not my idea, either. In fact, I believe I demand an explanation. This is like something out of a Jean Harlow movie."

If it was, she was definitely enjoying it. With a practiced eye she measured the impression she was making, standing in her black dress in the middle of the all-white room. If he looks so well in his black, she thought, I can't be going so bad myself.

entertaining total strangers at 2.30 in the morning. We'd better stay here quietly, and I'd better put on my shoes, since I've got company." She did so.

"But suppose they wake up, and find me here? Try to be sensible, won't you?"

"They won't wake up, if we're quiet. Besides, I didn't ask you to be under my bed when I came home. . . . By the way," she added, "how did you get in?"

"It was quite simple," he said, modestly. "It isn't hard to get up on the sun-porch roof, and from there you can practically step into your room. It's very inviting."

"You don't mean you were walking down the street, and noticed how easy it was, and decided to come in, just for the fun of it?"

"Oh, no, but it's very important that you go to the Prom with me, and I expected to have a much harder time getting to see you."

Out of the shadow of the bed, his noise was returning rapidly, he seemed to have a lot of it.

"I know your name. You're Susan Vance, and you were at a dance down at school last year with Bill Stauffer."

"Bill Stauffer? You're from

"Please don't be eloquent. I have a feeling that I ought to be insulted. By the way, when is it?"

"Next Friday."

"I don't have a date that night." "Then will you go?" He jumped up, then sat down again, looking embarrassed and eager.

"I don't know. I'm trying to be prudent, but I don't seem to be making a success of it. Call me—let's say Tuesday—and I'll tell you."

"Fine. And now, Miss Vance, I really must be going."

He crossed the room and took her hand. "Please try to go. It means so much to me."

With his eyes looking down at her, she knew she would.

"Good night. Oh . . . how are you going out?"

"The way I came in." He was at the window, and out in a second.

SUNDAY and Monday she kept deciding to accept, then to refuse. In all her career of being what the social pages called "popular and active" she had never faced a situation like this one. Never one so doubtful, nor so exciting.

Tuesday, when he called, she accepted. Wednesday, she telephoned Tommy Booth and asked him to meet her downtown.

"Can it be a lady in distress?" said Tommy, looking nice and worthless behind his cocktail. He was attractive, Susan noticed; she understood why the town said they were in love. However, the town was mistaken. They had the same tastes, they even, as was repeated significantly, had keys to each other's cars, and used them without asking permission, but they were not in love. They had known each other too long for that.

She told him the story.

"It sounds idiotic," he said, "but fun. Are you going?"

"I said I would, but it is a little unusual. You see, I can't tell Mother how I met him, or she wouldn't let me go."

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By Rudolf Shook

"Sit down and tell me all, won't you?" she suggested. "Are you very young, or something like that?"

SHE seated herself on a chair near the door, and indicated the white corduroy chaise longue. He sat bolt upright on it, and lighted a cigarette.

"I am John Stuart, and 23, and I'm a little frightened at meeting a girl who is very likely signed up for a cigarette ad so . . . unconventional. Don't you think we'd better go downstairs to talk?"

"I'm afraid we can't. My parents are quite public-spirited, but I'm afraid they're not up to

Ursinus? Darn, I thought you were a plumber, a man of the people, anyway, and maybe I could get me some good renouncing done."

"I'm of the people, all right. But, to go on, I saw you then, and I thought I'd like to take you to the Prom. Stauffer was sore at me then, and I couldn't get introduced to you. I wish you'd consider it. I'm really all right."

"But what gave you the idea I'd go? After all, it is a little unusual. I've been to a lot of Proms in my time, but I never got a bid like this before."

"I just kind of hoped. I can't tell you how much it would mean to me, I really can't."



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IN spite of the new black net, nothing had happened. Tommy had liked it, of course, and so had everyone else, but she had been hoping for someone new to impress with it.

Wearing a new dress for the same old crowd was like being a movie star with no one to look at you. An audience was essential; without one the dress, no matter how perfect, was incomplete. So it had been just another Saturday night dance. The dress had made her feel that something was going to happen. Nothing had.

Susan Vance, who was rich, good-looking, and the most popular girl in Reading, Pennsylvania, looked into her mirror with an expression of dissatisfaction, and kicked off a shoe.

As she did, there was a slight, but definite, cough.

She was a courageous girl, so more as a formula than from alarm, for it was probably a night sound or her father in the room across the hall, she looked, as people do, in the closet, and then under the bed.

The funny part of it was, there was a man under it.

"Please don't shout," he said, in a low, sober tone. "I mean well."

This singular remark so amazed her that she didn't shout. Kneeling, she peeped under the bed to get a better look.

"I suppose you have a gun," she said.

"No, I don't," he said, with dignity. "What do you think I am, a burglar?"

"I CAN'T see you well enough to tell. I may have been brought up with a lot of silly notions, but in a case like this, my mind just naturally runs to burglars."

"I'm not a burglar."

"Well, that's something. Perhaps you've come to ask me to be your Valentine, or to go a-May-ing?"

He didn't answer.

"Maybe you're from a scavenger hunt?"

"Don't be funny."

"I'm not. You are, rather." She smiled, graciously. "Anyway, charming as this informal chat is, I wish you'd come out from your little house and sit on a chair. You remind me of a

MAKE-UP COMPETITION RESULTS

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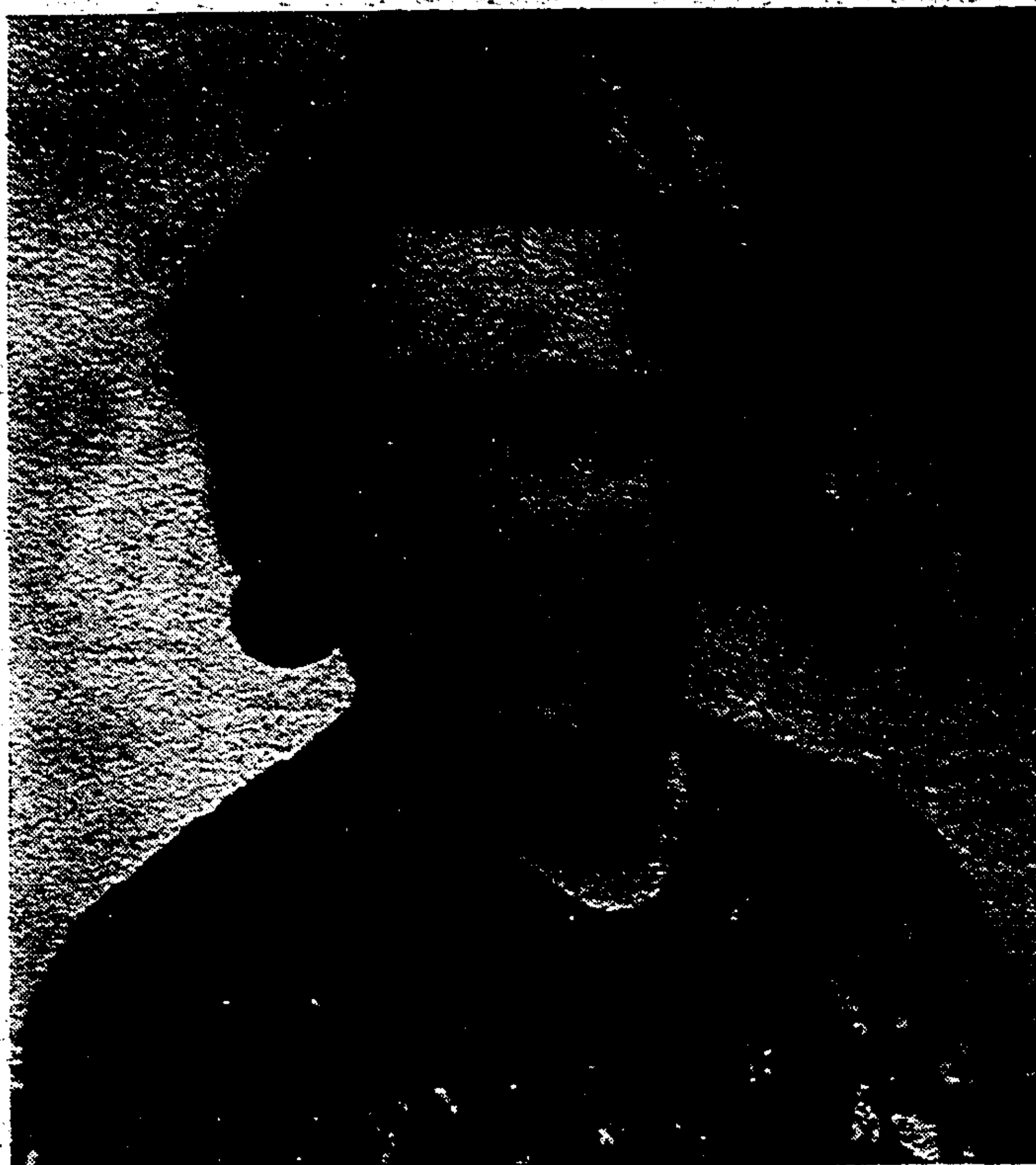
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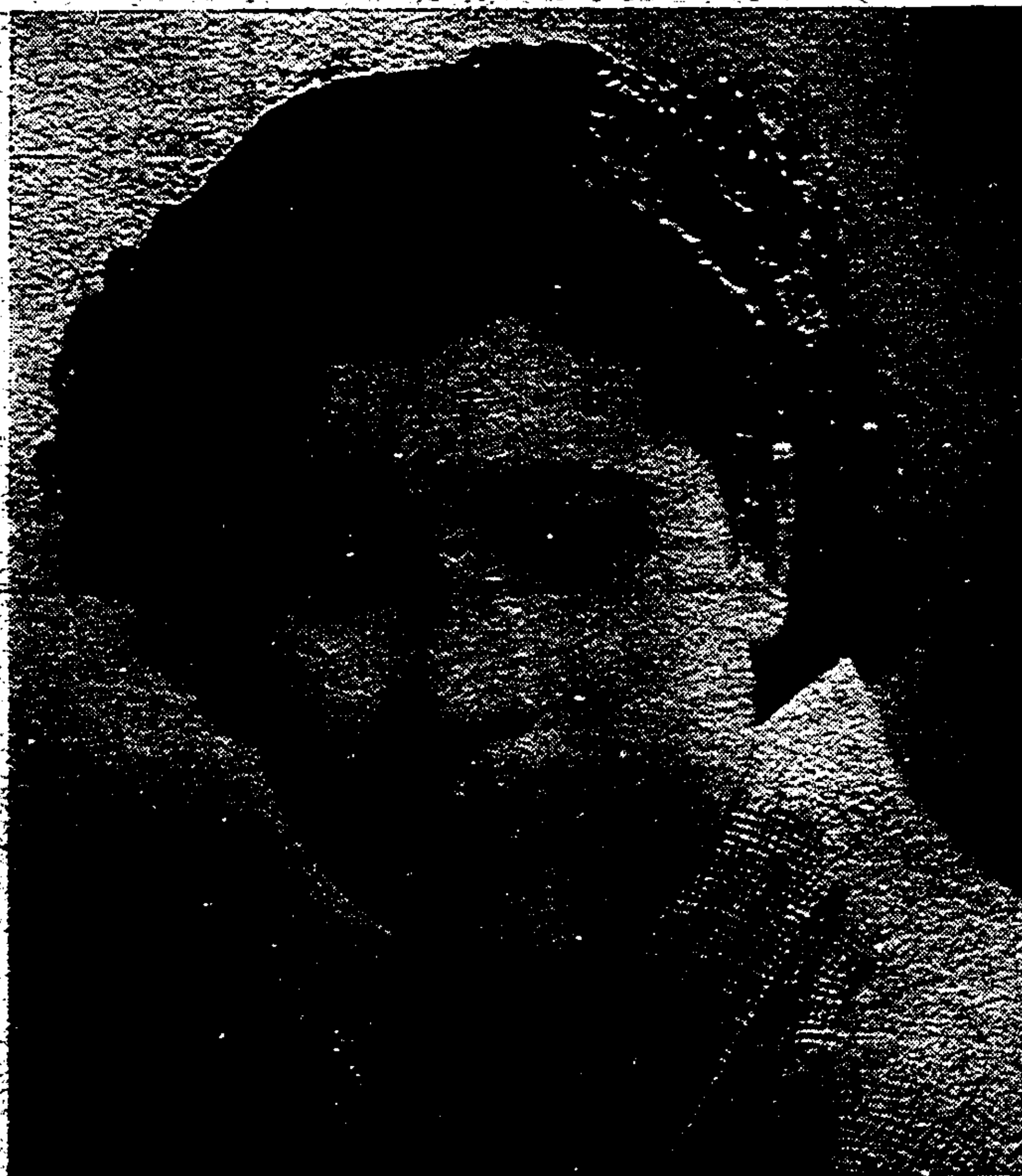
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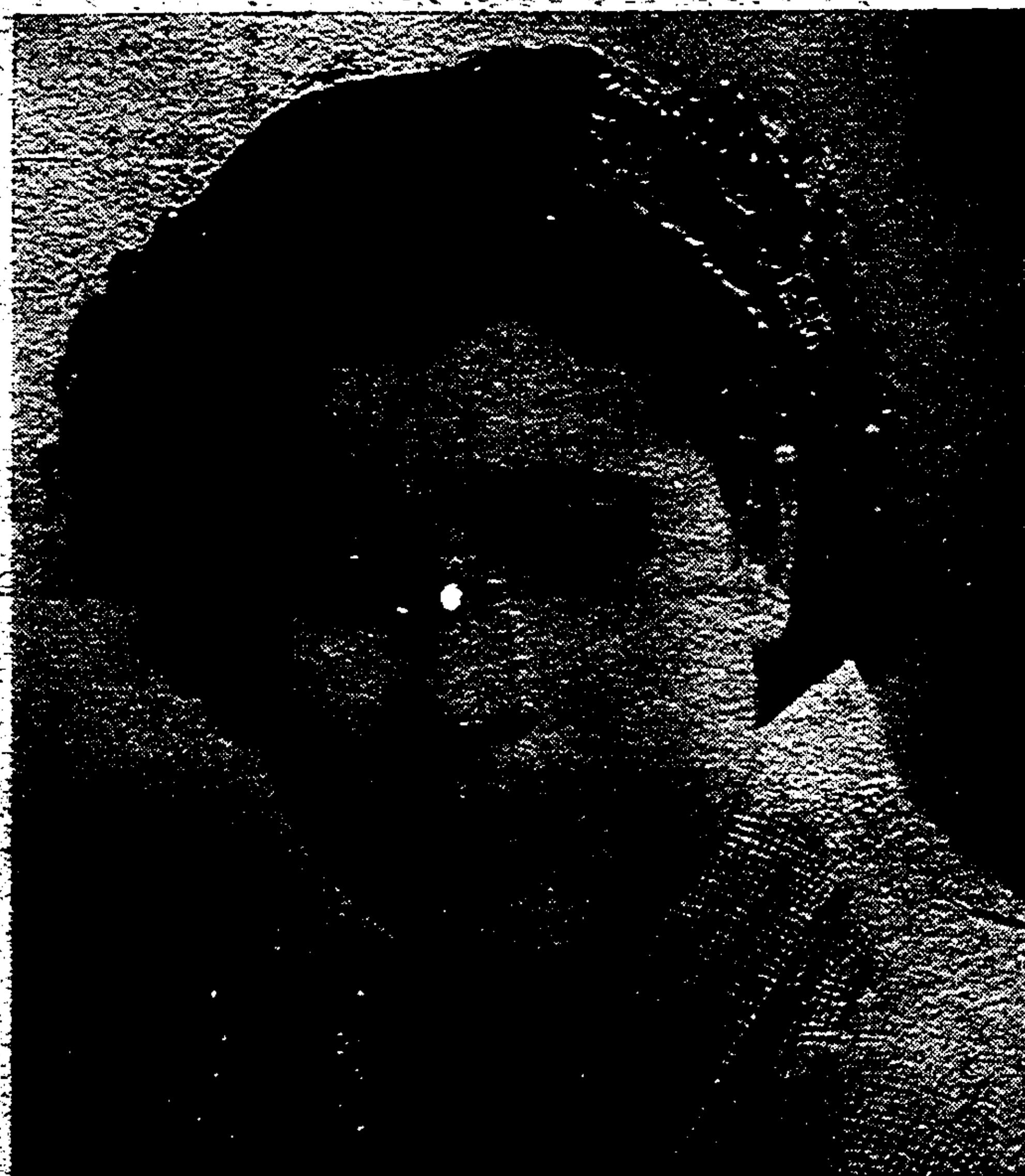
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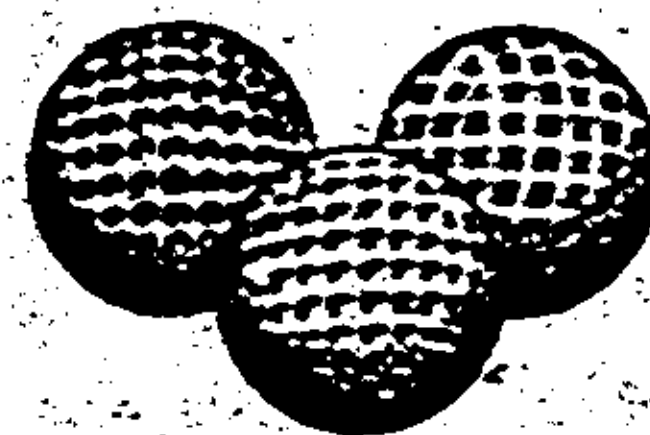
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PRESTON (4)	v Leeds (1)	Notts. F. (1)	v SHEFFIELD U. (1)
WEDNES-DAY (0)	v Liverpool (0)	PLYMOUTH (2)	v Barnsley (1)
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GILLING-HAM (1)	v Torquay (0)
MILLWALL (-)	v Walsall (-)
NEWPORT (2)	v Bristol C. (0)
NORTHAMP-TON (2)	v Cardiff (0)
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W BRIGH- ON (2)	v	Rochdale (0)
OHAM (4)	v	Mansfield (1)
ET VALE (-)	v	Halifax (-)
HER- AM (1)	v	Tranmere (2)
CKPORT (2)	v	Southport (0)
EXHAM (1)	v	Hartlepool (0)

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
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deen (1)	v	Rangers (0)
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		STONE (2)
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A chat in between dances at the St. Patrick's Ball. Standing in front of the pillar is Major E. J. R. Mitchell, O.B.E., while at right is Miss Joan Smalley. ("China Mail" photo).



Mrs. E. Langley, Corps Secretary and District Officer of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, is leaving for Home on April 3. She will represent the local Nursing Division at the St. John Brigade Jubilee and the Coronation. ("China Mail" photo).



Three guests at St. Patrick's Ball. ("China Mail" photo).



A scene at St. Patrick's Ball. ("China Mail" photo).

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I would like to know....

... who the two Scotchmen were who were watching a football game; one had a bottle, the other had only a thirst. The bottleman was talking very largely about his knowledge of the game and what a fine player he was himself.

During the conversation he helped himself very liberally to the contents of his bottle, whereupon the thirsty one said: "Weel, I notice ye're a fine dribbler, but ye're nae guid at passing."

... who the reformer was who said to a lad at the bar: "Stop. Do you think a glass of that vile stuff will quench your thirst?"

"No, sir, I'm gonna drink the whole jug," said the lad.

... who the young man was who pleaded: "Please marry me, Beryl, just this once!"

... who the agitated customer was who entered the chemist's shop.

"A few days ago you sold me a plaster to help me to get rid of my lumbago," he said.

"That is right, sir," replied the chemist. "And what can I have the pleasure of doing for you now?"

"I want you to give me something to get rid of the plaster."

... who the Scotchman is of whom the following story is circulated. A firm of match manufacturers sent a representative to the Far East with authority to hand 20 dollars to any person who introduced to him a box of their matches.

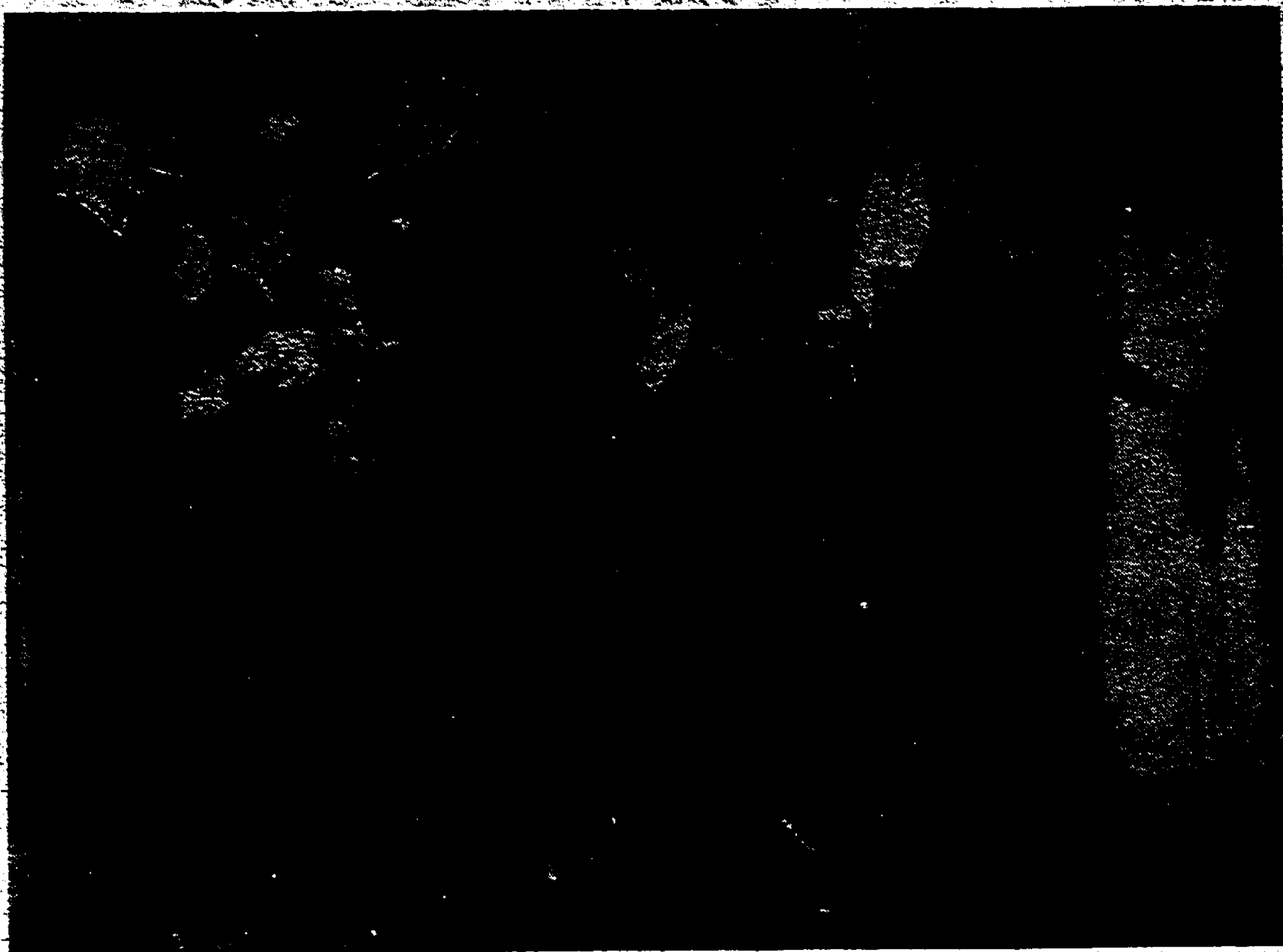
When he came to Hong Kong he entered a bar, and approaching a stranger, said: "Could you oblige me with a match?"

"Certainly," said our Scot, as he handed the traveller a box of the firm's matches.

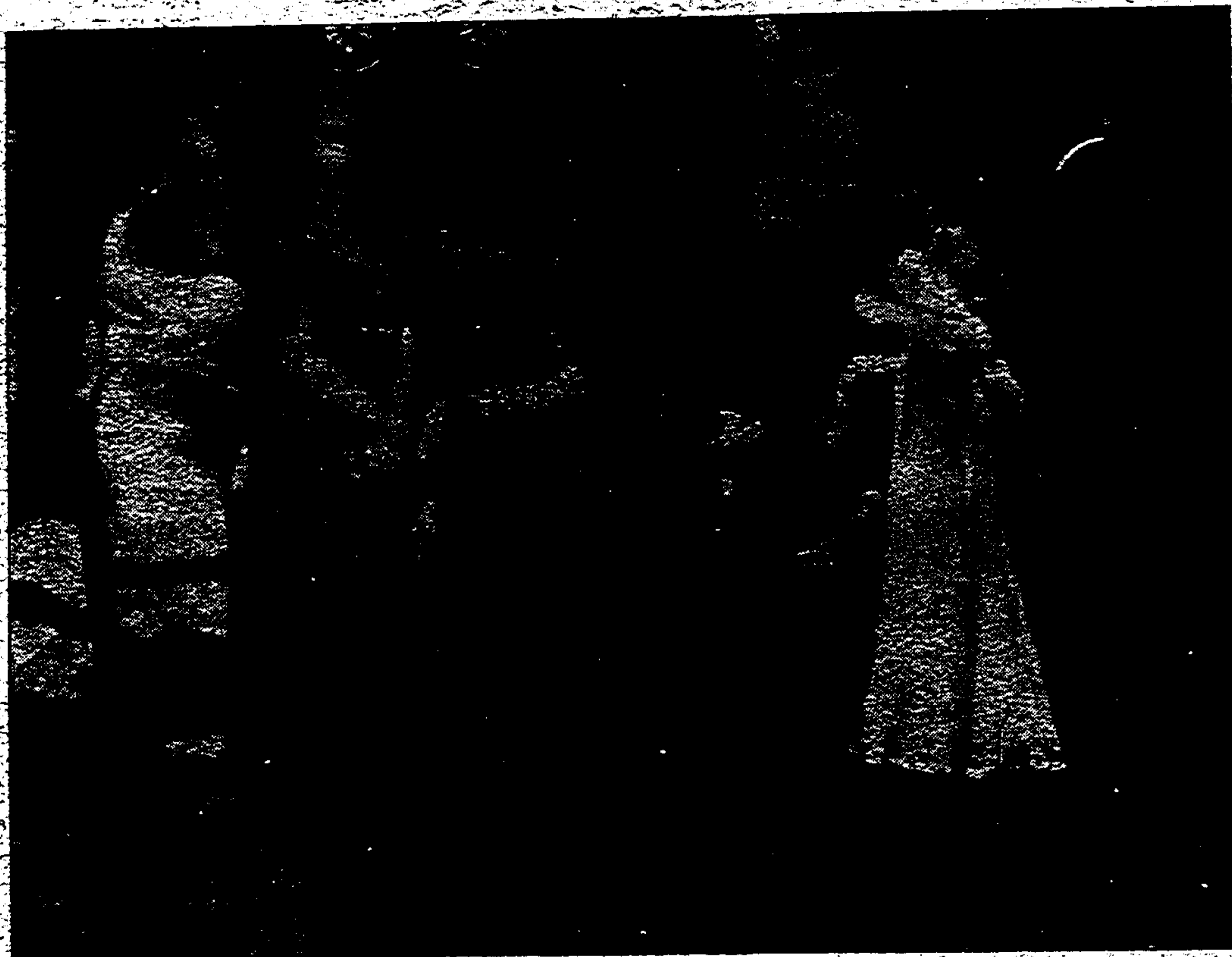
"Thank you," said the traveller. "I see you use our matches. My firm authorises me to hand twenty dollars to every man I meet who produces one of their boxes—so here is your twenty dollars."

As the traveller turned to leave, the Scot shouted after him:—"Hey! Stop! You're awa' wi' my matches!"

by The HEADHUNTER



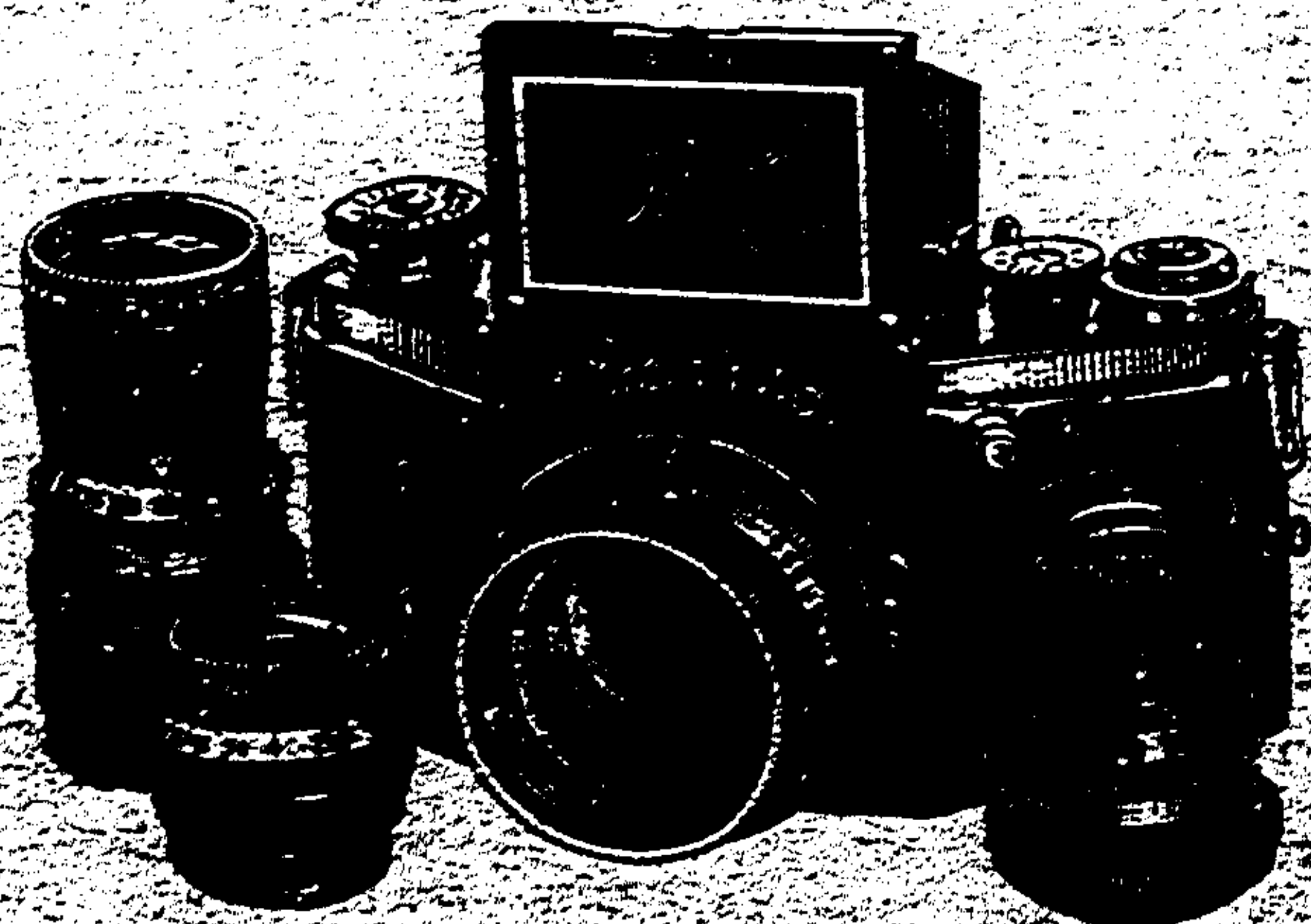
In between dances at the St. Patrick's Ball at the Peninsula Hotel. Third from right can be seen Mr. B. J. Gallagher. ("China Mail" photo).



The official party at St. Patrick's Ball. Lady Caldecott is seen seated fourth from right. ("China Mail" photo).

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MOVIE STUFF

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"Look here, I've got an idea. I'm going along. I've got a date with Jane Friday, and we might as well go to the Ursinus Prom as anywhere else."

"Well..."

"Oh, you don't want me?"

"Frankly, I'm not sure that I do."

"Oh, we'll not go down with you. I'll take my own car."

"How can I resist you, Tommy?"

"It's a nice Prom. I'm glad I came," Susan told Tommy, when she danced with him.

"That shows it pays to live dangerously."

She did not add that Stuart seemed preoccupied. Perhaps he was annoyed because Jane and Tommy had come, or because she was too successful with the stag-line. It was 11 o'clock and Susan had danced with him only once. He cut in.

"Do you always take on like this?" he asked. "It's not much fun for your date."

"Well, I'm no wallflower. I'm having a very good time."

He could see that, Stuart said. "Do you know," he informed her, "you grow on me? I'm beginning to like you very much, in spite of myself. I've been thinking about you all week."

"Say, fellers, there's Stuart," someone shouted, and three young men, all rather unsteady, bore down on them.

"Well, I see you win the bet," one greeted him. "Whoda thunk it?"

Susan knew one of them, Bill Roark. They were laughing immoderately, and all talking about winning a bet.

"They seem a little tight," Stuart said, superfluously.

"Yes, sir, you get the five bucks. You always do, somehow. How did he do it, baby?" one of them asked, turning to Susan.

"How did he do what?"

"Get you to come. Get your five bucks?" he said to Stuart. "Stauffer didn't show up."

"What are you guys talking about? What five bucks?" Stuart demanded, over-earnestly, and colouring.

They roared.

"Come on," Susan said to Bill Roark, who had dropped out of the discussion, "like to dance with me?"

"Would I?"

"Oh, no you don't." Stuart move to stop them. They brushed past him, and were lost among the dancers.

"Now, Bill, my friend, will you help a poor girl out, and tell me what's going on?"

Bill Roark obviously steadied himself.

"Why, nothing."

"All right, then. You can see the spot I'm in, but if you won't help me, that's that."

"I can't."

"All right." She looked as forlorn as possible.

HOW IT BEGAN

By Paul F. Berdanier

BACK TO NORMALCY

IN A SPEECH IN BOSTON BEFORE THE 1920 PRESIDENTIAL CONVENTIONS, WARREN G. HARDING USED THE WORD "NORMALCY" IN ERROR FOR "NORMALITY," BUT IT WAS SO APT THAT IT BECAME A NEW WORD MEANING "THE NORMAL CONDITION OF A COUNTRY."



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"If you promise not to let anyone know I told you."

"I promise."

"YOU see," he began, "Stuart is kind of famous around school for his bets. You know, he's likely to cut in any minute. 'Can't we slip out somewhere?' 'There's a door down at this end.'"

"Go on," she said, outside, "while we walk."

"Well, Stuart always wants to bet, you know, and the funny part of it is, he's never lost one."

"Go on."

"Well, about a week ago a bunch of us were talking about dates for the Prom, and Stuart said he hadn't asked anyone yet, and wanted to think of somebody new. I wasn't paying much attention, but I remember Bill Stauffer saying something about you. He's been bragging about you ever since he had you down to that dance last year. Stuart looked kind of interested, but Stauffer said that of course you wouldn't consider him—Stuart, you know."

"Stuart said oh yeah and why and Bill said he knew you wouldn't, that's all, even if you had been introduced. This made Stuart sore, because last year he wanted to be introduced to you and Bill wouldn't let anyone do it. Well, anyway, this crack made Stuart mad, so he said that if you went out with a dope like Stauffer, you'd go to the Prom with him without an introduction."

"This was too much for Bill to miss, so he shouts, 'Do you want a bet on that?' and of course Stuart, as usual, does. He wouldn't tell us how he worked it, though. Maybe you could."

"I couldn't, but thanks for the help. This is Tommy Booth's car. Tell him I took it, and stand out of the way, friend. I'm leaving. Good night, and thank you."

THIS, she thought, driving homeward, was what you got for acting like someone in a movie. This was the kind of thing that happened to you if you were stupid: you thought something he said was a compliment, while all the time he was thinking about five dollars that he was going to get.

The worst of it was, John Stuart was still the most attractive man she'd ever met. She'd learned a little about him, dancing, and she knew that he was quiet and very well-liked, that he had travelled around the world a year between prep school and college, that he would play a cheap trick for the sake of a silly bet.

In Pottstown she stopped at a restaurant, and ordered coffee and a sandwich. The coffee was terrible, and she found she could only eat half of the sandwich. She was about to leave when she heard the door open. It was John Stuart. He was beside her in a moment.

"Susan," he said, "I saw the car outside. I've been following you. You must forgive me."

"Must I?"

"As soon as I talked with you I was through with that fool bet. I tried to call it off, to pay up, anything, but they were getting a big kick out of my losing, as they thought, and wouldn't hear of it. They must have suspected something—I was too anxious, and they made me wait for a show-down to-night."

"If you were feeling so noble, why didn't you explain it to me?"

"I thought of that, but I was afraid you wouldn't go if I did, and anyway, I hoped it might turn out all right."

"It didn't."

"BESIDES, would you have believed a story like this? A fellow doesn't break dates with a girl like you lightly."

"In the first place, why did you have to try anything so spectacular as hiding under my bed?"

"I knew that any of the usual styles of self-introduction would get me nowhere."

"This one will take you the same place."

"Please forgive me. Couldn't we start all over?"

"I don't feel very benevolent toward you, naturally. What I can't forgive you for, really, is telling me it meant so much to you. Like a fool, I thought you meant me, and not five dollars. I don't want to see you again, ever."

She stood up.

"Not even hiding under a bed, like Raggybug?"

Her eyes flickered, she turned away, she smiled.

"It was funny. You looked so droll. I can't help smiling, so I may as well forgive you. Good-bye."

"Won't you let me drive you up? I can leave my car here."

By the way, I wonder how Jane and Tommy are getting along?"

"They'll be all right. There are a lot of people there who can take them home."

THEY were, somehow, outside now, standing beside Tommy Booth's car.

"As I was saying, then," Stuart continued, "I'll leave my car here, and we'll drive up to Reading and I'll take the train back here. I like merry-go-rounds."

"Do you really want to?"

"Want to?" He closed the door behind her, and settled himself at the wheel. "I refuse to be prevented. We're going to be seeing a lot of each other from now on."

"Oh, are we?"

"Do you want to bet on it?"

"You never lose, do you?"

"Never."

"I'll bet on it."

They drove off into the night.

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1.40 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Cinema Organ.
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2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5 p.m.—A Relay of Dance Music from the Roof-Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
6 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Children's Concert.
6.30 p.m.—A Concert.
Violin Solo—
"Carmen"—Fantasy (Bizet, arr. Sarasate)Efrem Zimbalist.
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Bass-Baritone Solos—
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7.35 p.m.—New Light Symphony Or-
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Orchestra—
Poet and Peasant—Overture
(Suppe).
Tenor Solo—
Heidenroslein (Goethe and
Werner).
Orchestra—
Glow Worm Idyll (Lincke).
Tenor Solo—
For you alone (Geehl-Hubel).
Orchestra—
Salut d'Amour (Elgar).
Tenor Solo—
Only for you—Waltz Song
(Doelle-Amberg).
8 p.m.—Local: Time-Signal, Weather
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8.03 p.m.—From the Studio.
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Northern and Southern Memories
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Shipmates o' mine—Descriptive Bal-
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8.22 p.m.—Trio in D Minor, Op. 49
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Thibaud and Casals.
1st Movement—Molto allegro agitato.
2nd Movement—Andante con moto
tranquille.
3rd Movement—Scherzo.
4th Movement—Finale.
8.55 p.m.—London—News and An-
nouncements.
9.15 p.m.—London—Brass Band Con-
cert.
9.23 p.m.—London—"Food for
Thought"—Three short talks on mat-
ters of topical interest. (Electrical
Recording).
9.45 p.m.—Music by Pierre.
Variations libres et finale.
Quintette Instrumental de Paris.
Entrance of the little Fauns,
Jack Payne and His B.B.C.
Dance Orchestra: 11 p.m.—Close down.

Serenade ... Renee Chemet (Violin).
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
Variety
Vocal—
Let's call a heart a heart,
Bing Crosby.
Piano Solos—
I wait for you,
Heute-Nacht oder Nie!
Mischa Spoliansky.
Vocal—
Deep shadows—Frances Langford.
Instrumental—Memphis Blues,
Ern Pettifer (Clarinet).
Organ Solos—
Funeral March of a Marionette,
Nola Sydney Gustard.
Vocal—
I heard,
St. Louis Blues,
The Four Crotchets.
10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—
Yankee Doodle never went to
Town.
Stop! Look and listen.
Fox-Trot Intermezzo—
Quivering Quavers.
Slow Fox-Trot—
Dance of the Gadfly.
Nightfall.
Fox-Trot—
Way down yonder in New Orleans.
I've got the world on a string.
Mood Indigo.
Take my heart.
Waltz—Stars in my eyes.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Half-Way Reasoning

"Dear Chief: The letter you printed one day last week, written by a woman who signed herself B. J. and who accused you and myself of 'persistently implying that men play better than do women,' may have 'cut you to the quick' and made you scurry for cover, cravenly refusing to confirm or deny the truth of her accusations, but Your Spy is made of sterner stuff. Certainly I think men play better than do women! The reason is simple. Logic is bound to get better results than intuition in a game as scientific as contract. As for women as bridge partners! Who wants a partner to whom one cannot say an unkind word without said partner either bursting into tears or (more infuriating) calmly powdering her nose?" (I'll wager a pretty penny that my contract spy is bachelor!)

"The hand I am enclosing was played by a young woman. It is a good example of half-completed rea-

soning."
South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S K J 9 8
H 8 7
D Q J 10 9 2
C 9 2
WEST
S 6 5
H K Q 10 5 4 3
D 8
C K Q 4 3
EAST
S 7 3 2
H 6 2
D K 5 4 3
C A 7 10 8
SOUTH
S A Q 10 4
H A J 9
D A 7 6
C 7 6 5

The bidding:
South West North East
1 spade 2 hearts 2 spades Pass
4 spades Pass Pass Pass
* Two no-trump would have been the correct rebid.

"West opened the heart king and declarer held off, hoping for a Bath coup (continuation of the heart suit up to the remaining ace-jack tenace). But West correctly shifted to the club king and continued with a second round, East winning

and returning a heart. Declarer won this with the ace and drew three rounds of trumps, ending in dummy. The diamond finesse then was successfully taken (declarer showing her pleasure with rippling, girlish laughter), but, due to the fact that the diamond king failed to drop in three leads, declarer found herself with a losing heart and losing club, with only one trump left in dummy for ruffing purposes. (The rippling laughter changed to a maidenly curse). The contract was down one!

"The woman had analysed only half way. It was obvious that the diamond finesse must win for the contract to succeed and, on further reasoning, should have been obvious that if dummy was to be reduced to one trump a diamond break, in addition to the finesse, would be vital. Only two rounds of trumps should have been led, ending in dummy, and the diamond finesse taken then and there. After the queen held, a second finesse should follow. If West should ruff with a possible third trump it would simply mean that the contract could not have been fulfilled. As the hand actually lay the second finesse would go through safely. Then declarer should cash the diamond ace, return to dummy with a trump (thus drawing East's last trump) and ruff away East's diamond king, thus establishing dummy's fifth diamond.

"But, of course, this wasn't the type of hand that lends itself best to feminine technique.

"Your lion-hearted Spy"
I wish it to be thoroughly understood that I am not responsible for my spy's brutally frank expression of view, which will, I have no doubt, put his life and limb in serious jeopardy.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Partner opened the bidding with one no trump. Second hand passed. I held S K 9 4 H 10 8 D K 8 3 C K J 10 7 3. Should I have shown the club suit?
Answer: No. Your proper bid was three no trump.

What's On At the Cinemas

COMING PICTURES

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Bullets or Ballots" with Edward G. Robinson, Joan Blondell, Barton MacLane and Humphrey Bogart. A thrilling drama of racketeers.

AT THE STAR—"I'd Give My Life" with Sir Guy Standing, Francis Drake and Tom Brown. A thrilling and forceful story adapted from the famous stage play of ten years ago "The Noose," which ends with a smashing and dramatic surprise.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Smartest Girl in Town" with Gene Raymond, Ann Sothorn, Helen Broderick and Eric Elton. Delightful humour is combined with a fast moving plot to give the fullest play to the versatile talents of one of the screen's most popular romantic teams.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Make Way For A Lady" with Anne Shirley, Herbert Marshall and Margot Grahame. A delightful piece of entertainment dealing with the hilarious mix-ups of a daughter assisting her father in his efforts to find a wife.

AT THE KING'S—"Camille" with Greta Garbo and Robert Taylor. A glorious love drama of a woman of Paris and of the world ... a woman who coolly chose to accept the favours of a wealthy man; then suddenly fell in love with young Armand.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Mr. Cinderella" with Jack Haley, Betty Furness, Arthur Treacher and Raymond Walburn. A barber follows the movements of Society people through gossip columns, idolises a Society beauty though he has never seen her, and eventually marries her.

"Pennies From Heaven" with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Craig's Wife" with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"Sinner Take All"—Deals of a newspaper reporter who solves a strange series of murders and a plot menacing an heiress, with Margaret Lindsay, Bruce Cabot and Joseph Calleia. Coming to the King's.

"Avenge Waters" with Ken Maynard, Beth Marion and Ward Bond. A roaring romance of the west packed with spine-thrilling adventures. Coming to the Alhambra.

"One In A Million" Introduces lovely Sonja Henie, Queen of the Silvery Skates, for the first time to movie fans. In addition to the world's champion figure-skater, the film includes Adolphe Menjou. Coming to the Queen's.

"Walking On Air" with Gene Raymond and Ann Sothorn. Gay film fare is provided in this hilarious comedy romance, coming to the Oriental Theatre.

"The Charge Of The Light Brigade" with Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland. The former leads the Light Brigade and the latter a girl torn between the love of two brothers. Coming to the King's.



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SPAIN'S OFFER OF MOROCCO TO BRITAIN AND FRANCE

Official Confirmation Of Note By Government Refused As Out of The Question

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Salamanca, To-day.

Somewhat of a sensation has been caused by publication of a document said to have been handed by the Foreign Minister of the Valencia Government, Senor del Vayo, to Mr. Anthony Eden and Mr. Yvon Delbos, the British and French Foreign Ministers, during the last session of the League of Nations.

IN THE DOCUMENT, THE VALENCIA GOVERNMENT URGES BRITAIN AND FRANCE TO ENTER INTO CONSIDERABLY MORE ACTIVE POLITICAL COLLABORATION WITH THE LEFTISTS.

IN RETURN FOR THIS CONCESSIONS IN SPANISH MOROCCO WERE OFFERED.

The document declares that territorial revision in Spanish Morocco would be a suitable way of removing international difficulties upon whose solution the future foreign policy of the Valencia Government depended.

Britain and France, on their part, should take measures to prevent alleged Italian and German intervention in Spain.

The offer should be regarded as withdrawn if Britain and France were not prepared to prevent Italian and German intervention.

OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED

In London it is officially confirmed that such an offer was received by the British Government from Valencia several weeks ago.

No reply has as yet been given though a formal refusal will be given in the near future, on the grounds that acceptance of the offer would not be consistent with British and French treaty obligations.—Trans-Ocean.

REPLY TO BE SENT

London, To-day.

The note sent by the Spanish Foreign Minister last month to the British and French Governments, intimated that the interest of these two Powers would be taken into consideration in connection with Spain's economic reconstruction and their mutual military, aerial and naval relations, and that Spain would be disposed to examine, in conjunction with these Powers, the convenience or otherwise of a modification of the present situation in Spanish Morocco.

It was confirmed in official circles in London to-day that a communication of this nature was received by the British Government in February but every character of the proposals was such as to make it out of the question for them to be entertained, as their acceptance would be a direct departure from the declared policy of non-intervention in Spain, which the British Government has advocated and adopted since the outbreak of the civil war.

A reply to the Spanish Government is likely to be sent in the near future.—British Wireless.

EMPIRE RELATIONS

Economic Talks At Imperial Conference Limited

STEERING CLEAR OF OTTAWA

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, in reply to a Commons question regarding closer economic relationship within the Empire, said that a new trade agreement had recently been concluded with Canada and general trade discussions were now in progress with the Finance Minister of New Zealand.

It was proposed that at the Imperial Conference there should be a general review of the progress of Empire trade and questions arising therefrom, but that any questions arising out of the Ottawa agreement should be dealt with, as occasion offered, in separate discussions between the individual Governments concerned and apart from the Imperial Conference.

The British Government, he added, is not putting down any specific proposals on the agenda such as the House might desire to discuss. Whether any Dominion Governments would do so he did not know, but they had not done so yet.—British Wireless.

MR. CORDELL HULL APOLOGISES

For Mayor La Guardia

Washington, To-day.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, has sent an apology to the German Government for the remarks made by Mayor Fiorello La Guardia at an anti-Nazi demonstration in New York.

Mr. Cordell Hull has also informed the German Ambassador that he hoped the bitter vituperative utterances of both sides would soon reach a conclusion.—Reuter.

PARIS RIOT SEQUEL PROTEST STRIKE CALLED — WITH ASSURANCES

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE SEINE UNION OF SYNDICALISTS HAS DECIDED TO CALL A HALF-DAY GENERAL STRIKE THIS MORNING AS A PROTEST AGAINST THE EVENTS AT CLICHY ON TUESDAY NIGHT WHEN FASCISTS AND ANTI-FASCISTS CLASHED IN A SERIOUS RIOT.

THE STRIKE, SAYS A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE UNION, IS NOT DIRECTED AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH MUST REMAIN IN POWER.

In order not to place the Government in difficulties, rigid discipline will be exercised and work will be resumed this afternoon.

The object of the strike is to emphasise the need to dissolve the "Fascist Leagues."

Meanwhile the Cabinet has decided to open an immediate investigation to ascertain the responsibility for the riots.

CLEANING UP

The street in which the disturbance occurred is now looking less like a battlefield, and most of the damage done to railings and the roadway is well on the way to being repaired.

The excitement caused by the outbreak, however, has not yet died down and all the newspapers comment extensively on the riot.

"Humanite," the Communist organ, talks about provocation to the Leftists who, according to earlier reports, started the trouble when they attempted to break up a Fascist meeting in a cinema.

"WHAT NOW?"

"What now?" is the question put by "Echo de Paris."

The paper wants to know what Premier Leon Blum will have to say about the affair.

"Action Francaise," the Rightist journal, demands that the Government make strong efforts to stamp out such affairs in future.

The paper also demands that disciplinary action be taken against the chief of police.

The Minister of the Interior told newspapermen at 1 o'clock this morning that the Government regrets profoundly the unfortunate affair and that a thorough investigation is to be made.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

NAVAL YARD THEFT CHARGES

B. A. Hyder Accused

B. A. Hyder, aged 37, assistant storekeeper at the Royal Naval Yard, was this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy, with the theft of two blankets, two counterpanes, a quantity of brown paper and canvas, and 30 rounds of 303 ammunition, the property of the Admiralty, and with receiving same. He was further charged with possession of 162 rounds of 303 ammunition and six shot gun cartridges without a licence.

Mr. A. el Arculi for the defendant pleaded not guilty to all the charges and the case was fixed for hearing on Thursday, April 1.

Air Duels Over Madrid

LONDON, TO-DAY.

PRESENT ACTIVITY IN THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR IS MOSTLY CONFINED TO AERIAL WARFARE.

On the Guadalajara front, according to a Government communique, loyalist aircraft have been very active.

It is claimed that 25 bombers wrought terrible destruction when they bombed the insurgent lines, while thirty pursuit planes attacked and machine-gunned enemy concentrations.

It is stated that the insurgents lost several pursuit planes and one Junker plane, while the Government lost one pursuit plane.

DEL LANO'S CLAIMS

On the other hand, General del Lano, broadcasting on Tuesday night, claimed that 19 Government planes had been brought down by the rebels.

A Lisbon message reports a Radio Seville broadcast that the American Embassy has moved from Madrid to Alicante.

The Grand Vizier of Spanish Morocco, Mohammed ben Ali, arrived at insurgent headquarters yesterday.

He intends to put himself in touch with the insurgent commanders.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

Shipping Control Bill In Commons

London, To-day.

The House of Commons, by 192 votes to 36, passed the second reading of the Merchant Shipping (Spanish Frontiers Observation) Bill, which has already been passed by the House of Lords.

Dr. Edward Burgin, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, stated that if the Bill is passed by the House of Commons it will not be enforced until the principal maritime countries trading with Spain adopted similar legislation.—Reuter.

While working on an electric standard, Wong Chuen, of the China Light and Power Co., fell from a height of 30 feet and received severe injuries to the head. He was sent to the Kowloon Hospital.

Jerusalem Bomb Outrages

JERUSALEM, TO-DAY.
ABOUT THIRTY PEOPLE WERE INJURED, THOUGH NONE WERE KILLED, AS A RESULT OF THREE BOMB OUTRAGES IN JERUSALEM.

The first outrage occurred when a bomb exploded in the main street of Jerusalem at 7 o'clock yesterday evening.

A constable and sixteen passers-by, including four children, were injured and two of them are now in serious condition.

An Arab has been arrested in connexion with the affair.

BOMB IN CAFE

Two further bombs were thrown last night into an Arab cafe in the main street.

Seven Arabs were injured and two of them taken to hospital.

A third bombing outrage took place when a missile was thrown into an Arab cafe on the outskirts of the city. Four were injured.—Reuter.

Commons Statement

Recent incidents in Palestine were the subject of several questions in the Commons.

Replying, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, said he was glad to note the statement of February 10 announcing that the Mufti of Jerusalem and two other members of the Arab higher committee had expressed their abhorrence of these acts but unfortunately the criminal acts had continued.

"It will be appreciated that it is extremely difficult to ensure security in a country where tension is so acute, following on the prolonged disturbances of last year. I have personally discussed with the High Commissioner for Palestine the question of taking further measures for dealing with the increasing number of acts of violence which have recently occurred in certain parts of the country.

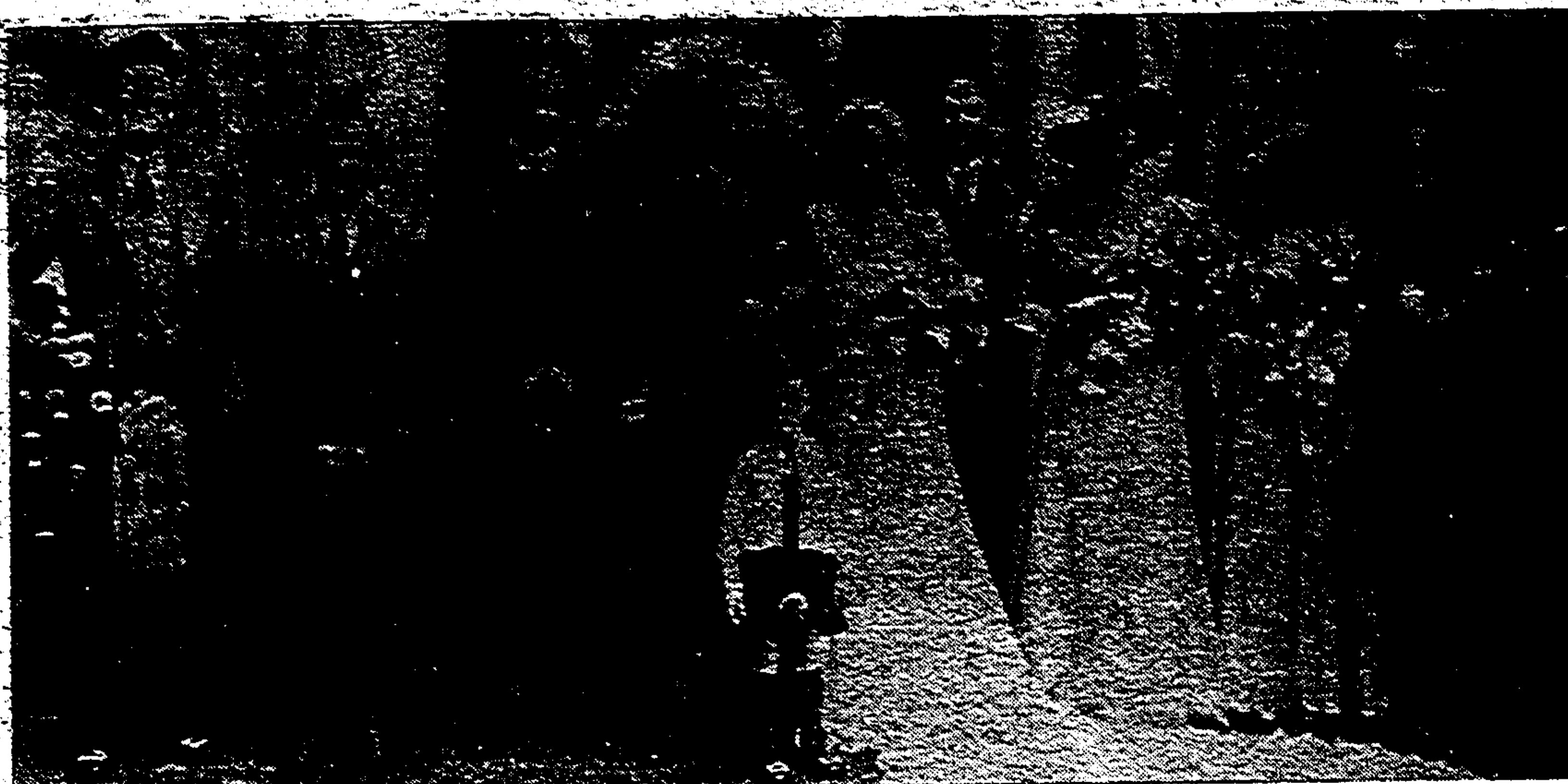
"The High Commissioner, who is due to reach Palestine on Friday, will take up the matter in consultation with his advisers and with the General Officer Commanding the forces as a matter of urgency."

The Minister was asked when martial law would be proclaimed.

MARTIAL LAW OBJECTIONS.
He replied: "I do not know whether martial law could deal with this matter. We have power under the Order in Council which we can exercise, but martial law means the complete end of all civil government and the Government would be reluctant to put that into operation."

Asked whether he was satisfied that these acts were organised by some central influence he replied: "I am quite satisfied that these acts of violence are on Arabs by Arabs and on Jews by Arabs, organised by local bodies, and that they are very local in character. I am quite sure that these murders, admittedly by a small gang, have no connexion with the higher committee.—British Wireless.

Luk Chat, aged 47, employed at the Green Island Cement Co. was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries to his head and arms caused when he was accidentally caught in a machine.



Group taken after the wedding at Union Church yesterday of Miss C. M. Ferguson and Mr. A. McKellar.

AMELIA EARHART TAKES OFF FOR HAWAII

FIRST HOP IN AMBITIOUS ROUND WORLD FLIGHT

OAKLAND (CAL.), TO-DAY.

CARRYING TWO EXTRA SHIRTS AND A PAIR OF SLACKS BUT NO DRESSES, MISS AMELIA EARHART, THE FAMOUS AMERICAN AVIATRIX, HOPPED OFF IN HER SPECIALLY EQUIPPED LOCKHEED ELECTRA MONOPLANE ON THE FIRST ATTEMPT EVER MADE BY A WOMAN TO ACCOMPLISH A ROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHT.

THE FIRST HOP WILL CARRY MISS EARHART AS FAR AS HONOLULU, 600 MILES SOUTH OF WHICH ISLAND HAS BEEN STATIONED THE UNITED STATES WARSHIP "QUAIL" IN CASE SHE GETS INTO DIFFICULTIES DURING THE SECOND LAP OF HER FLIGHT, FROM HAWAII TO HOWLAND ISLAND.

The aviatrix plans to make the 27,000-mile trip as close as possible to the equator and in addition to Honolulu and Howland Island, will make other stops in New Guinea, Australia, Africa, South America, Mexico or Florida and then back to Oakland, in California.

Before she started on her flight, which had been delayed by adverse weather reports, Miss Earhart explained that the venture is not being backed by a commercial sponsor but that her purpose was to "find out more about the reaction of human beings in flight."

"The journey," she added, "is something I want to do more than anything else in the world."

FLYING LABORATORY

Her Lockheed monoplane, described as a "flying laboratory" owing to the many gadgets with which it is fitted, is carrying a capacity load of 1,150 gallons of gasoline.

The machine, she stated, is capable of flying 4,000 miles non-stop "if I stretch it far enough."

Miss Earhart is accompanied by a relief pilot, relief navigator and Captain Harry Manning, as navigator, as far as Port Darwin after which she will fly solo.

The "Hawaii Clipper" and "Pan-American Clipper," bound for Manila and New Zealand, respectively, also left for Honolulu, an hour before the aviatrix took off.—Reuter.

Oakland, Later.

Miss Earhart has overtaken the Pan-American Clipper.—Reuter.

Oran Disturbances

Paris, To-day.

Eighteen police and a number of natives were injured in a clash between strikers and law officers at Oran yesterday, according to press reports.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL WEDDING

Miss C. Ferguson Weds Mr. A. McKellar

The wedding took place in the presence of a large group of friends yesterday of Miss C. M. Ferguson and Mr. A. McKellar, of MacKinnon, MacKenzie, at the Hong Kong Union Church.

The bride who wore a charming gown of ivory satin cloque carried a sheaf of arum lilies and white heather.

Her bridesmaids, the Misses I. C. Bell and Jean Wallace, wore green taffeta gowns and carried bouquets of African daisies. Little Master John Currie wore a Ferguson tartan kilt.

Mr. M. T. Johnson gave the bride away, whilst the duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. George Milne.

A reception was afterwards held at the Hong Kong Hotel. The bride's going away ensemble was of royal blue worn with white accessories.

Local Churches And Coronation

The Hong Kong Coronation Committee has decided that on May 12 there will be no formal Coronation service in any one Church, but that each denomination and Church will hold its own special service.

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BY A WOMAN CORRESPONDENT

If you should see about an inch of bright red or green or blue showing below a dress—it will be just one of fashion's latest whims, not something that shouldn't be showing!

Severely-tailored short white jackets over a black dress, with an inch of white hem, were shown in Victor Stiebel's spring collection in London.

Silhouettes show a very high waistline. Skirts for evening wear are very tight with little or no train and dresses have daringly low décolletés.

Skirts for day wear are shorter and tighter with closely cut jackets coming barely to the hip-line.

Bands of colour in prints are used at the bottom of evening gowns. Multi-coloured and gaily embroidered girdles and belts swirl round on to the shoulders.

Strong Colour Contrasts

Colours are really vivid, with striking contrasts—scarlet and peacock, green and mustard, large

plaid designs with circus coloured scarves interlaced, knotted or draped at high necklines.

Zip-fasteners come into their own. They are used for day and evening, often interlaced with a contrasting colour and fastening at the back.

A long white British doeskin evening coat with oak leaves and acorns in gold wire is embroidered like a military uniform.

Hats are large and small, resembling soup plates, and gaily decorated with long feathers or bright colours. Giant bows, which obscure the hat are also in style.

Blouses for tweeds are definitely bright, sometimes in three colours worn with soft, smooth tweeds buttoning high at the neck and finished off with a brilliant scarf.

If you must wear spectacles, you need not look dowdy now.

The modern folding and tinted spectacles are attractive; they are made in such intriguing colours as rose-blush, ice-blue, crystal and amethyst.

Shaped like an oyster shell, the cases are no longer than a powder compact, and they can be tucked away in the smallest handbag.

For blondes who have very fair eyebrows there is a frame made of the crystal material which makes it almost invisible. And there are flesh-coloured frames reinforced on the edges with "pink" gold.

In a praiseworthy effort to make a frame which will stay on without bent ends to disarrange the hair, there is one which has a short straight side fitted with shark-skin pads which give a comfort-

able non-slip grip. Frames are mostly made in the new material called rhodoid, which does not perish from the action of the perspiration and cosmetics.

Here is a "trade secret." When imitation shell frames get dull and lustreless, they can be polished with ordinary metal polish. Care must be taken not to rub the lenses or the polish will scratch the surface.

The action of the skin, weather and make-up soon takes the bloom off real tortoiseshell frames, leaving them with a dull, faded look which is not at all becoming. To cure and prevent this, rub a little thin oil into the shell and let it soak in before rubbing with a clean cloth. This not only restores the gloss, but feeds the material and promotes flexibility and a longer life.



The new mode in hats. At top the crown simulates a coronet turban of cellophane straw, with large bow of the straw and grosgrain ribbon. At bottom, shiny brown straw is used in an off the face beret. The large bow is again of grosgrain ribbon.

Do You Smoke?

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HOLLAND GIVES WARNING

Any Further Franco Seizure Of Netherland Ships Will Be Regarded As Piracy

Submarine Under Special Orders

The Hague, To-day

"Any further seizing of Netherlands ships by General Franco's warships will be regarded as piracy," declared the Foreign Minister, Jonkheer Dr. A. de Graeff, in the Senate yesterday.

HE ADDED THAT IT IS PIRACY BECAUSE THE NETHERLANDS HAS NOT RECOGNISED THE FRANCO GOVERNMENT.

NETHERLANDS WARSHIPS HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION.

Sir Austen Chamberlain

FUNERAL TO TAKE PLACE TO-MORROW

London, To-day.

The funeral of Sir Austen Chamberlain will take place on Friday at St. Margaret's, Westminster, after which the remains will be cremated. — Reuter.

Berlin, To-day.

"Sir Austen Chamberlain will ever be associated with the Locarno Treaty," says the "Berliner Tageblatt" in an editorial on the famous Conservative statesman.

Since the signing of the Treaty, Sir Austen continued his efforts for peace in Europe.

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" pays a tribute to the late statesman's character and to his accomplishments as Britain's Foreign Secretary.

The paper says, however, that he distrusted Nazi Germany and could not understand the aims of the new Reich. — Trans-Ocean.

GENEVA TRIBUTE

Geneva, To-day.

A telegram expressing sorrow over the death of Sir Austen Chamberlain has been sent by the League of Nations to the British Government.

The telegram declares that as Foreign Secretary and England's representative on the League Council, Sir Austen gave a new impetus to the League and assisted in historical manner in stabilising it and rendering its work effective. — Trans-Ocean.

KING'S PERSONAL MESSAGE

Profound grief at the death of Sir Austen Chamberlain is expressed in telegrams and other messages which have reached London from many part of the world to-day and in the Commons, at the close of questions, eloquent tributes to his long and devoted public service were paid by leaders of all parties.

The King sent a personal message of sympathy to Lady Chamberlain and the Prime Minister called on her this morning to express his condolences.

COMMONS TRIBUTES

In the Commons, Mr. Baldwin recalled his personal attachment to Sir Austen Chamberlain whom he described as a great Parliamentarian. He loved the House of Commons and the life of the House. He was al-

ways formidable in debate, courteous and chivalrous, but capable of giving and receiving hard blows. Great as was his political career and numerous as were the great offices he held, yet it was during the last years of his life that he exercised a far greater influence than ever before. Sir Austen Chamberlain's unshakeable loyalty to everything he believed to be right was deeply embedded in his conscience.

A message received later in Rotterdam by the owners, however, stated that the collier had been released and the cargo not confiscated.

WARSHIPS TO PATROL

Establishment of a Netherlands naval patrol in the Straits of Gibraltar and around the Spanish coasts is foreseen in the movements of Netherlands warships.

From Aden it is reported that the Netherlands cruiser "Java," returning from the East Indies, arrived in the British base but left again at full speed for Spanish waters.

SUBMARINE UNDER ORDERS

A Lisbon message says that the Netherlands submarine O-16, which arrived in the Hague last week, has received instructions from the Hague Government to be ready to leave at a moment's notice.

It is understood that the submarine is leaving to-day for Malaga, where the commander will demand the immediate release of two Netherlands steamers recently seized by the Spanish insurgent fleet. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

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FRIEND OF EVERYONE

The Opposition leader, Major Clement Attlee, said that Sir Austen was the friend of everyone in the House. He was a great House of Commons man, a devoted servant of his countrymen, kind, courteous and generous. The strokes he delivered in debate never left ill-feeling behind.

The Liberal leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, recalled Sir Austen's struggle for peace and understanding among nations and his championship of the freedom of democracy.

Mr. Lloyd George said it was a duty that the great assembly on this occasion representing a united people, should do honour to a man of honour.

Mr. Maxton, for the Independent Socialists, associated his followers with these tributes. — British Wire-

FEN FLOODING PERIL

Government Sends Engineer

London, To-day.

Anxiety in regard to the flood situation in the lowlying Fen country of England is still acute and banks of the swollen river Ouse and its tributaries are being constantly watched.

The Minister of Agriculture, in the Commons this afternoon, said the floods had been engaging his close attention and in order to be kept in close touch with the position from day to day, a Ministry engineer is in the district.

Mr. Morrison added that, according to the latest telephoned information, the position was still critical although there was a slight fall in water level.

The whole position, he said, is being closely watched by the Catchment Boards concerned and all necessary remedial measures were being taken. — British Wireless.

Bank Collapses

London, To-day.

Desperate efforts to check the

Ethiopia Massacre

NEGUS URGES LEAGUE ENQUIRY

London, To-day.

The Negus yesterday wrote to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations requesting the appointment of a commission of enquiry to investigate the alleged atrocities in Ethiopia.

He denounces the "execution of Ras Desta and other chiefs taken prisoner on the battlefield, the killing of thousands of persons during the three days after the attempt on the life of the Viceroy, Marshal Graziani, and the systematic massacres of the Ethiopian population." — Reuter.

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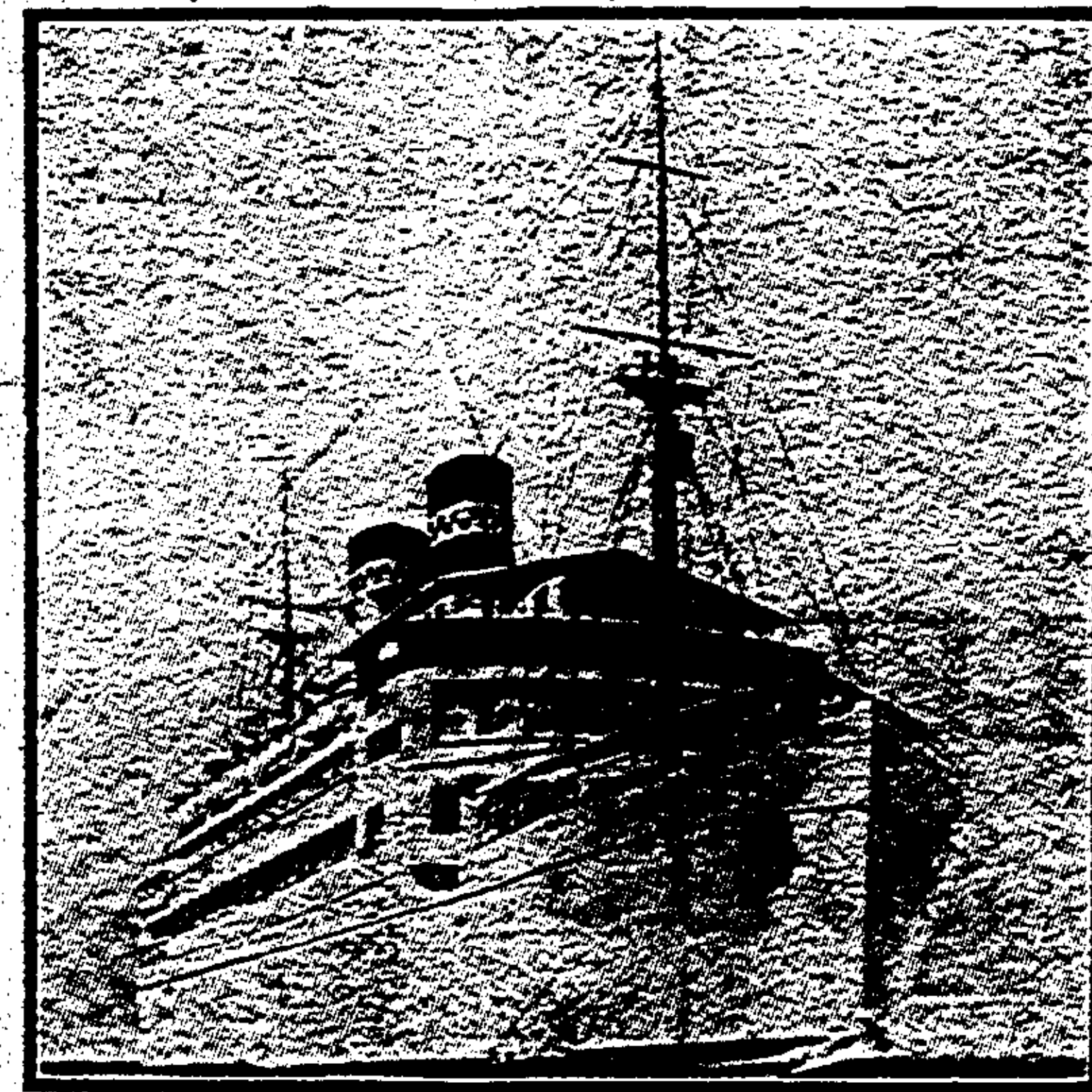
The subsiding bank had been thoroughly reinforced when the water burst through the bottom.

Millions of gallons overflowed with such force that a 50-ton barge used as a bulwark, was thrown down.

The leader of the flood-fighters despairingly said that thousands of acres will now be flooded. — Reuter.

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SINO-JAPANESE IMPASSE

It is now too plainly evident that the end of the Sino-Japanese impasse is not yet. Mr. Sato, the new Foreign Minister in Tokyo, made a brave effort to follow his own bent by proclaiming a new line of approach and a spirit in which the Chinese Government could readily have reciprocated; all to no purpose. The Army clique, it is possible to deduce from the strange conflict between Mr. Sato's early declarations and those he uttered when the Army had fully digested the implications of his programme, stepped in, and China, reasonably enough, now sees no difference between Mr. Sato's policy and that of his predecessor.

More serious, however, are signs that the Japanese military are disposed to take advantage of their triumphant suppression of liberalistic tendencies.

The Korean smuggling incident has been followed by a sharp demand upon Sung Cheh-yuan for full liberty to all smugglers engaged in the so-called "special trade." In Tientsin, military leaders are round a conference table in circumstances boding no good for Nanking's insistence upon full sovereignty in North China. The calm that has reigned in the Peiping area, for some time past, is, it is to be feared, only temporary.

Sung Cheh-yuan has reiterated his loyalty to Nanking and the importance of this factor is not to be overlooked. As Mr. W. Lewisohn, in an article contributed to the "North China Daily News," points out, General Sung Cheh-yuan is the biggest Hopei disappointment from the viewpoint of the Japanese. Not one of the persons whom they have virtually appointed to the Peiping Government has come up to scratch and he the least. General Sung, pressed on the one side by what some call the intransigence, and others the patriotism, of his own Twenty-ninth Army, and on the other by the encroachments of his Japanese friends, General Sung has maintained a masterly inactivity, and manages to keep his uneasy balance on the fence between the two.

The Japanese are not satisfied with him. But what are they to do? His chief claim to their support is the very fact that he is the commander of that Twenty-ninth Army, the only organised military force in Hopei-Chahar. If they were to remove him, the only possible

successor would be another general of that army who almost certainly would prove even less accommodating than he. To put in some outsider as commander would at once lead to serious trouble. On the other hand, without the Twenty-ninth Army, the task of maintaining peace and order would have to be carried out by the Japanese themselves, a task for which the present swollen North China garrison would be scarcely sufficient. The Japanese, whether they like it or not, must cling to Gen. Sung Cheh-yuan, even if they can hope to get little more out of him. Nor have the Japanese had any success with any of the other horses they have backed. Chi Hsieh-yuan, one of the former Chihli warlords, who, after living in retirement in Tientsin for many years, has been flirting with the Japanese, is now one of the leading persons on the Hopei-Chahar Council. He attends its meetings with the greatest regularity, but has proved a sore disappointment to his Japanese patrons. Another bad disappointment has been the former "grey general," Shih Ya-san. At one time he was in open rebellion against the Central Government, so that great things might have been expected of him. But since he was appointed Commander of the Peace Preservation Corps in North Hopei, he has been giving the Japanese constant trouble.

The point of it is that the Japanese cannot go on changing their Chinese personnel for ever; after a time they run short of material.

It seems doubtful whether even the economic development of North China has progressed according to plan. There has certainly been a very marked increase during the last two years in the number of Japanese enterprises in Tientsin. But that development was bound to take place in any event and would probably have been very much greater and more rapid, but for the interference of the military. Indeed, reconstruction work has suffered a direct setback in Hopei as a result of the Japanese impact. It is now one of the most backward provinces of China.

This is due, in part, to reasons of finance. As long as the Japanese assert their control over these parts, the Nanking Government is naturally averse to spending any more money than it can possibly help on reconstruction work. But another reason for the lack of development is undoubtedly the atmosphere of passive resistance with which all Japanese suggestions of improvements are received by the local authorities. They think it safer to do nothing at all, than to make an effort which might be interpreted as a surrender to Japanese wishes.

The only "success" that the Japanese can be said to have gained in North China is in the matter of the smuggling from East Hopei. But even this is a Pyrrhic victory. The truth would seem to be that both sides have become so interlocked that even a Japanese retreat—a highly improbable assumption—might give almost as severe a shock to the political situation as would a further advance. The position of North China, it is likely now, can only be stabilised as part of a general agreement between the two countries. And while the Japanese military persist in their present mood, that can never happen.

A Call For Peace

A crowded meeting was held in Manchester, in support of the "Manifesto to the peoples of Europe," urging peace in the name of human fellowship and a common effort to arrest the present drift towards war. The Lord Mayor (Alderman Joseph Toole) presided, and the chief speakers were Mr. Wickham Steed, the well-known publicist, Mr. A. M. Wall, secretary of the London Trades Council, and Sir Arthur Haworth. Sir Norman Angell had been announced as one of the speakers, but he was prevented from travelling to Manchester by a breakdown in health.

Lord Cecil, in a letter to the Lord Mayor wishing success for the meeting, wrote:

There is no doubt that the danger is pressing. Europe appears to be drifting nearer and nearer to war. It may not come this year, or next; but unless we can arrest the present tendency it is bound to come sooner or later. I hope your audience will realise that this is not an occasion for empty talk but for strenuous effort. The forces that are making for war are formidable, and can only be defeated if the peoples who are determined on peace are prepared to make all efforts and endure all sacrifices which are necessary to attain it.

The Lord Mayor said the meeting was one of plain people of all parties and of none, and it was called to give them an opportunity of hearing the plain truth upon the international position and offer them a chance of doing something that may improve the outlook. It was an attempt to tell the peoples there need be no war if they roused themselves and set out on the intelligent, constructive adventure of peace. The call of Manchester, he hoped, might soon be the call of Great Britain, and of the British Commonwealth, and ultimately the whole world.

The meeting had been summoned with the object of speaking to the peoples of the world over the heads of their statesmen. Every Lord Mayor and Mayor in the country ought to call a similar meeting. He did not intend that the matter should rest in Manchester. He wanted a response from the great cities of the country.

Mr. Wickham Steed complained that the present National Government had not been at any pains to tell us the full truth, as it knew it. Not long ago Mr. Duff Cooper said it ought to be the duty of Ministers to frighten the people out of their wits. He might be right. Why did they not do it? Other Ministers had said we were approaching catastrophe, and Lord Rothermere now told us that Great Britain was to concede land to Germany to mollify Hitler. What had we got to mollify him for? Had we to fear his righteous wrath? We happened to be citizens of a country which again and again had sent out a message of freedom and liberation to the earth.

"Our message to the world today," he went on, "is not that we are going to keep out of everything and let the rest of the world go to the devil, provided we can protect ourselves. No, that way lies ruin for ourselves. The message we send out to the world is that we stand

If you're young, too—read this article by a young woman with a will of her own. You'll agree with her. And if you're not so young, read it all the same. There may be something in what this girl says.

YOU'RE too young to leave school. You'll only be sorry later on when you realise that school days were the best days of your life.

But I knew my father was wrong.

Staying at school—which, incidentally, I still look back upon as the most objectionable days of my life—seemed a terrible waste of time when I knew so clearly what I wanted to do next.

I got my own way then, but I have never been allowed to forget it.

If ever I get into a scrape or make a wrong decision, I'm always told: "If you had spent another year at school this would never have happened."

After I had completed my training at a secretarial college I announced that I was going to London to get a job and prove my usefulness.

What a storm that brought down on my head!

I was too young to earn my own living.

It was neither necessary nor "nice."

What would Aunt say when she heard I was alone in London? And what would the neighbours say?

Did I know the wicked place London was—the awful things that happened to young girls alone night there?

Then father announced one morning: "I'll have no more of this nonsense!"

So I ran away.

firmly against the abominable stupidity of the war method of settling differences between peoples."

Why was £400,000,000 to be borrowed for armaments? Here the Government had not been frank with us. It told us in the autumn of 1934 there was no need to worry, because we still had considerable superiority over Germany in the air. It repeated that statement in February, 1935. By April, 1935, it began to admit that perhaps it had been mistaken. But we had never yet been told what the Government knew of Germany's military preparations and strength.

"We must say," Mr. Steed went on, "that we shall stand like a rock against any country which on any pretext whatever proposes to revert to mass butchery to attain its ends when every fair and honourable end can be obtained by peaceful negotiation and agreement. In our national life, if the scoundrel, gangster, or murderer got loose we should all stand against him, and that is the only principle on which you will get your international law. We are only trying to carry the principle of English common law into the law of nations."

Killing me
with the cry of—

"Young!"

I went to an old friend of my mother who had a big business in London. He gave me a trial on his own staff. I got a room in a hotel.

Believe me, the things you hear about hostel life being lonely and dull is all rubbish. I was earning very little money, but I had a grand time, and made some splendid friends.

At first my parents sent me many reproachful letters. Then they heard how well I was getting on and how I had had an increase in salary.

They made a special journey to town to visit the head of the hotel, and after that began to change their tone.

Perhaps I wasn't going to the dogs after all!

They began to boast proudly and lovingly to their friends: "Yes, Molly is working in London now. She has a very responsible job. And she lives in such a nice club . . ."

The next fight came when I wrote and told mummy and daddy that I was engaged to Bill, and was bringing him home the next week-end.

They arrived by car that evening. And with them came an aunt and an uncle.

My mother tearfully insisted that I should go back with them that night.

"You're far too young to think of marrying for years yet," she said. "You don't realise what marriage means. You're not old enough to know your own mind, darling."

Aunt threatened to cut me out of her will; Uncle vowed he would do the same.

"We must see this young man,"

he kept saying. "He may be most unsuitable."

I gave up protesting that I loved Bill and that I did know my own mind and promised to return the ring.

I gave Bill back his ring next day—and we were married three weeks later!

Again came the string of protesting letters, and Aunt did cut me out of her will.

But when they met Bill and saw how ridiculously happy we were, they began to think it wasn't such a bad idea after all.

And soon, to hear them talk, you'd think they had planned the whole marriage themselves!

That was until I told mother one day that I was going to have a baby.

Anyone would have thought I'd suggested a solo flight across the Atlantic!

I couldn't have a baby—I was much too young. Why, I was only a baby myself!

But Bill the second is a lovely, healthy, happy baby. He has not stolen my youth. Nor has he ruined my health.

When Baby Bill was nearly a year old I decided that finances were getting rocky, and that it was up to me to do something about it. So I went out to find another job. In the field of business, too, people seem to refuse to take Youth seriously.

I received the reply that they wanted someone older and more responsible.

Yet when I added five years to my age and wore mother's hat I landed a job the same day!

And I've held it down, too.

That's my grouse.

How do you expect us to develop into useful, responsible citizens, if you try to convince us that all our decisions are wrong ones because we don't know our own minds?"

"You're too young," you say. "Too young for a responsible job." "Too young to marry." "Too young to have a baby."

It's all rubbish!

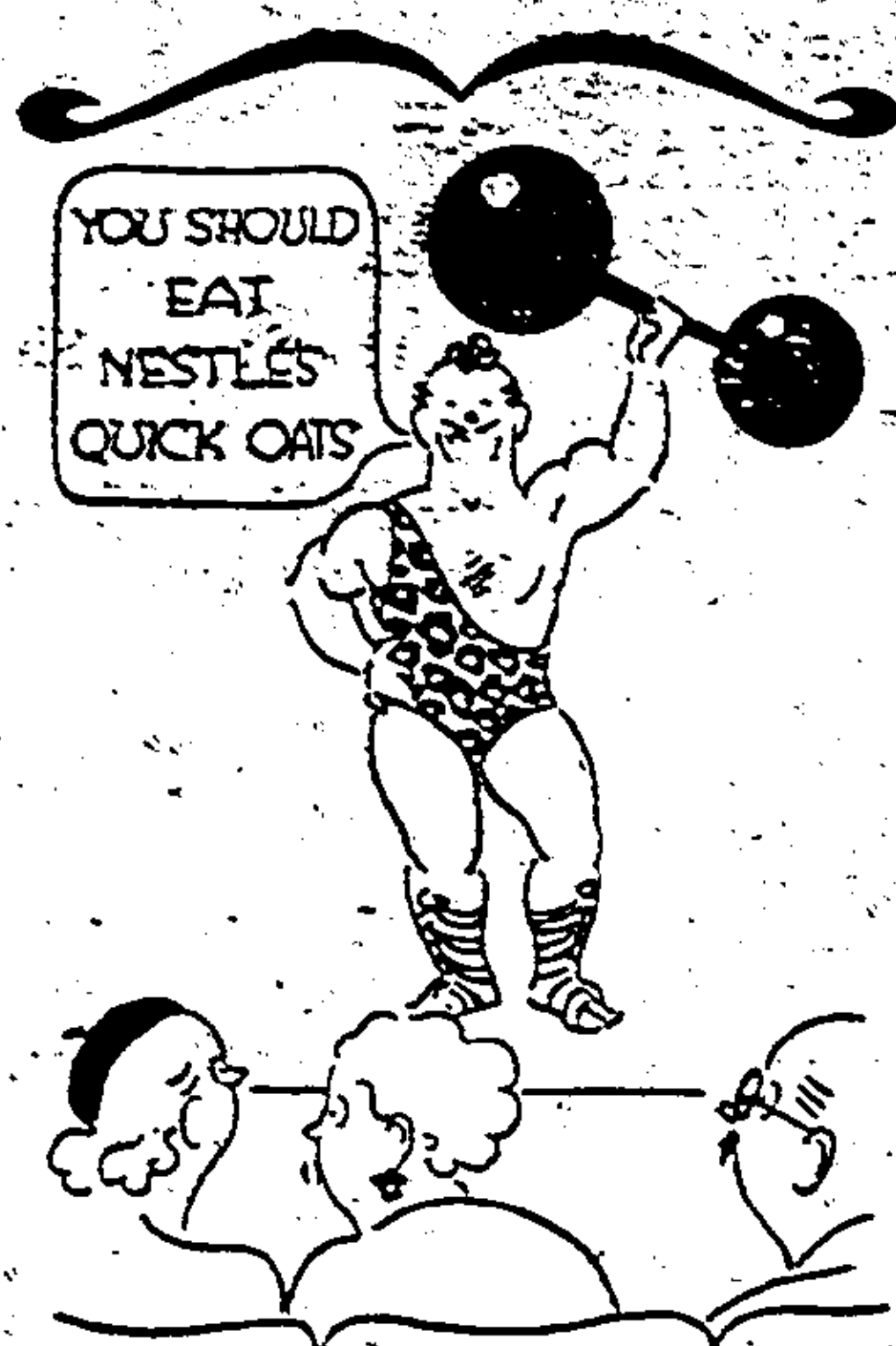


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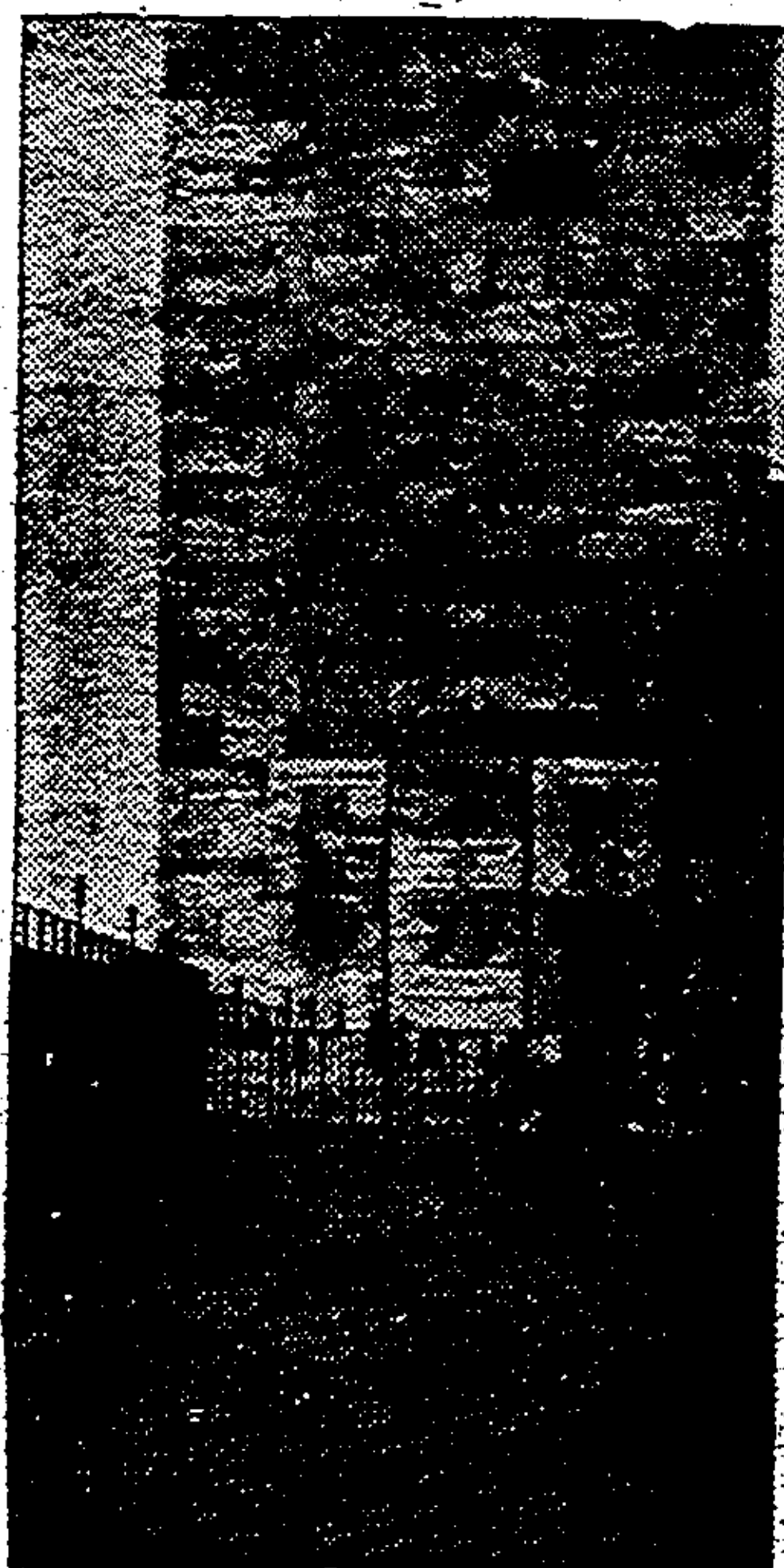
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H.K.-MANILA SHUTTLE

GIANT CLIPPER NOW BLAZING TRAIL TO NEW ZEALAND WILL BE PUT ON THE ROUTE

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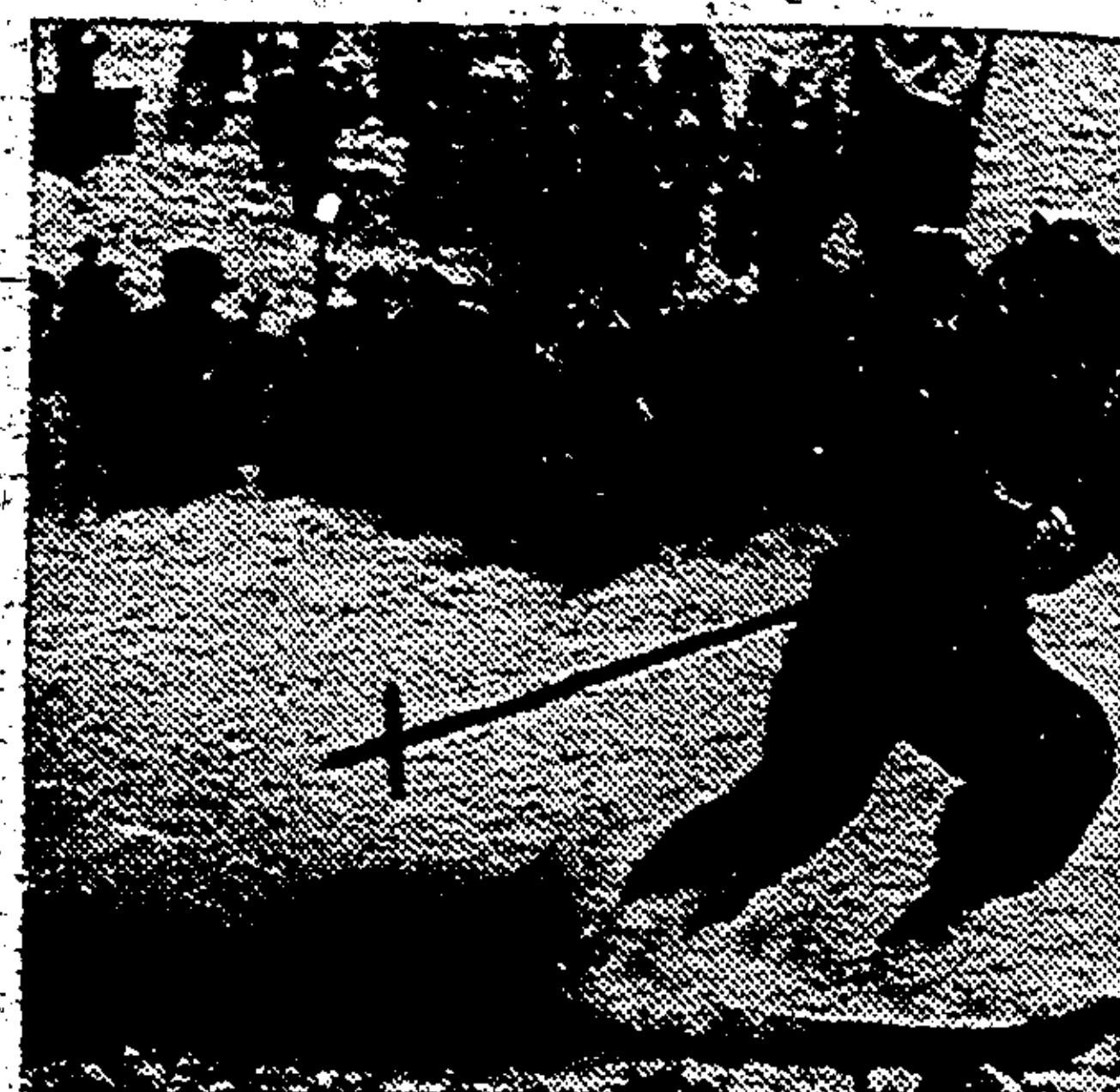
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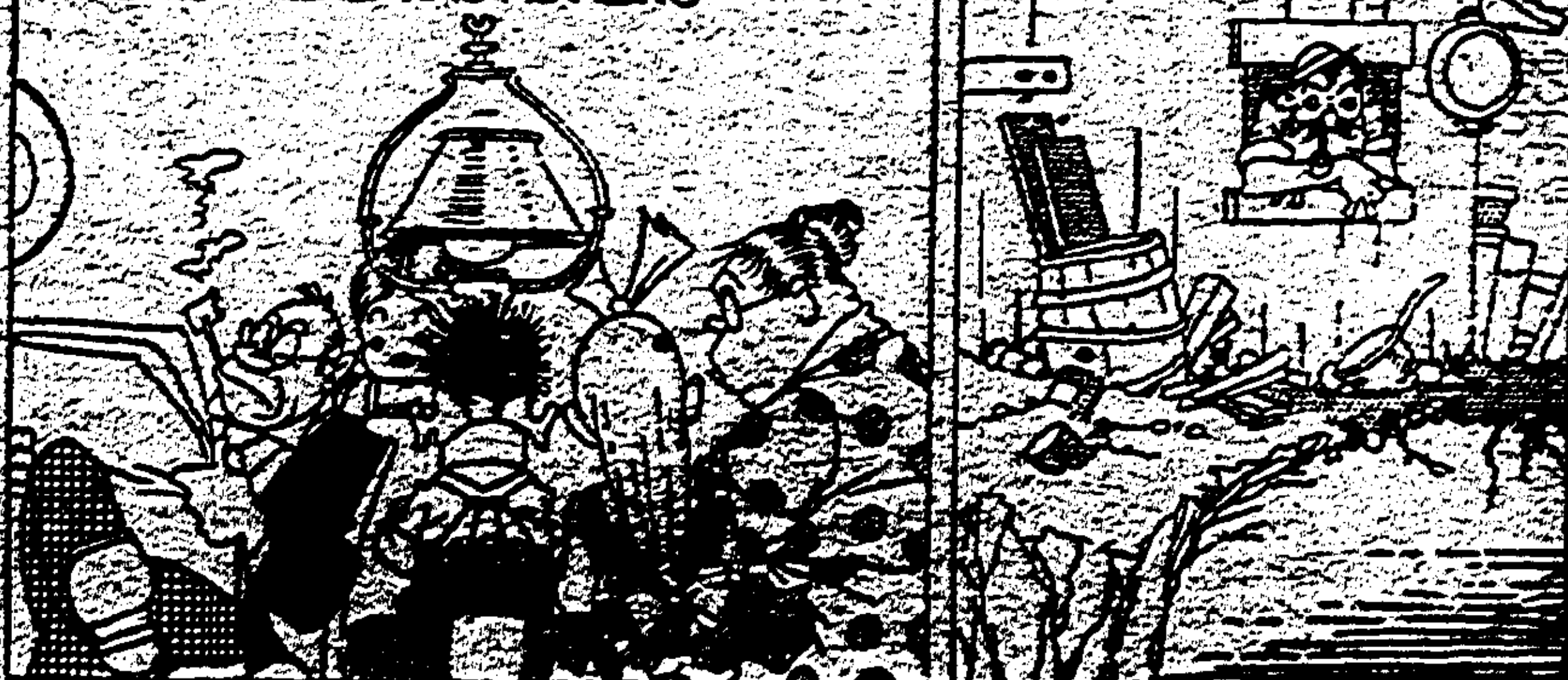
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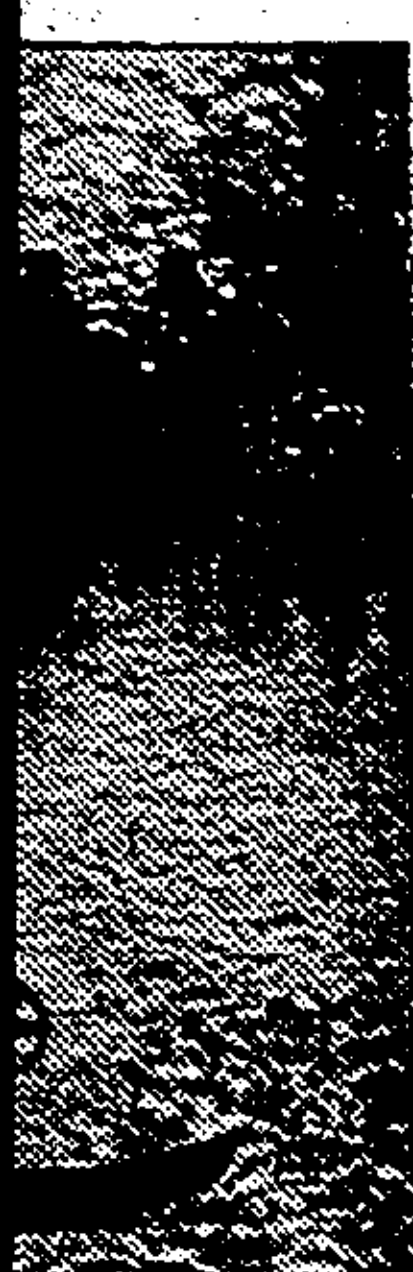
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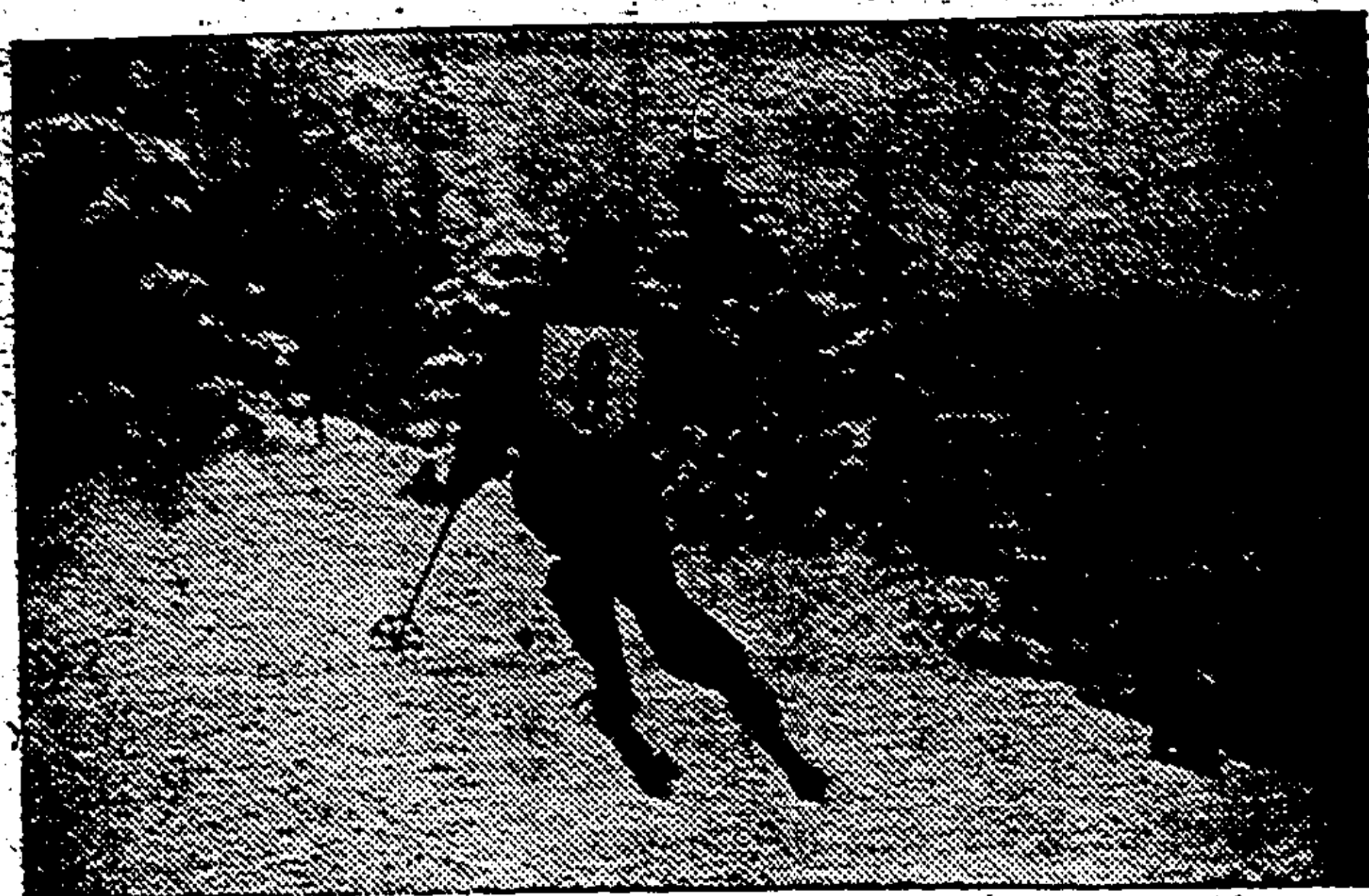
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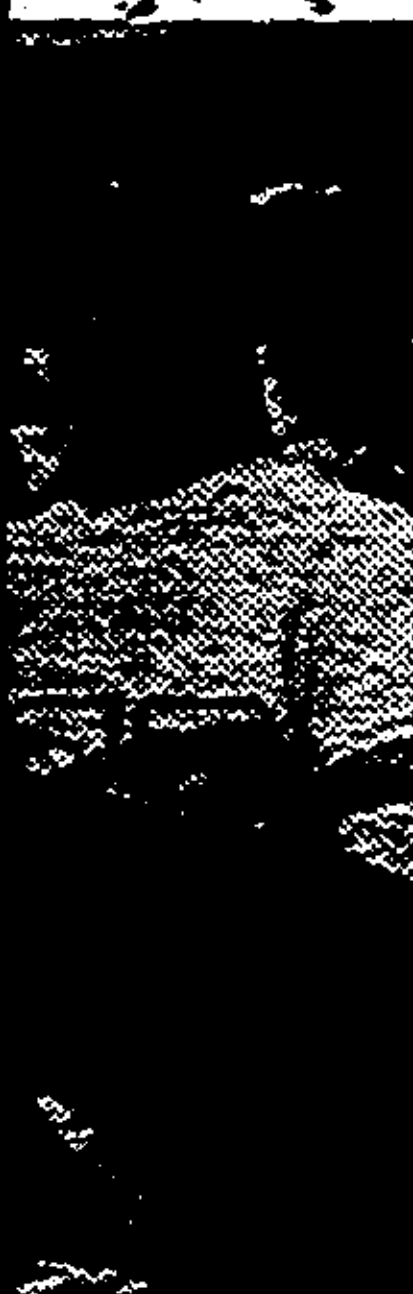
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Herr Roman Worndle, of Germany, who won the men's ski event at the Sports in the time of 4 minutes 18.2 seconds.



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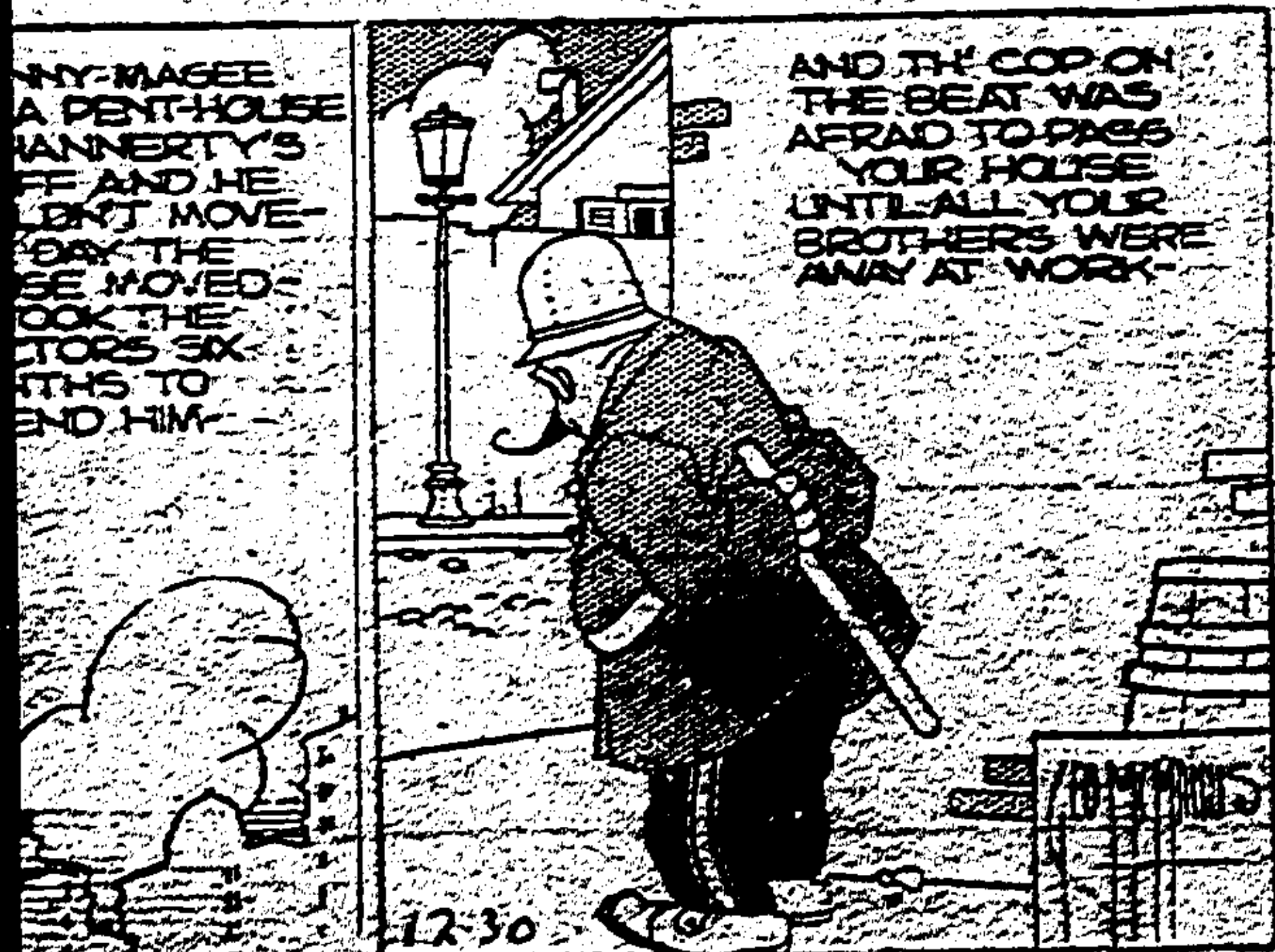
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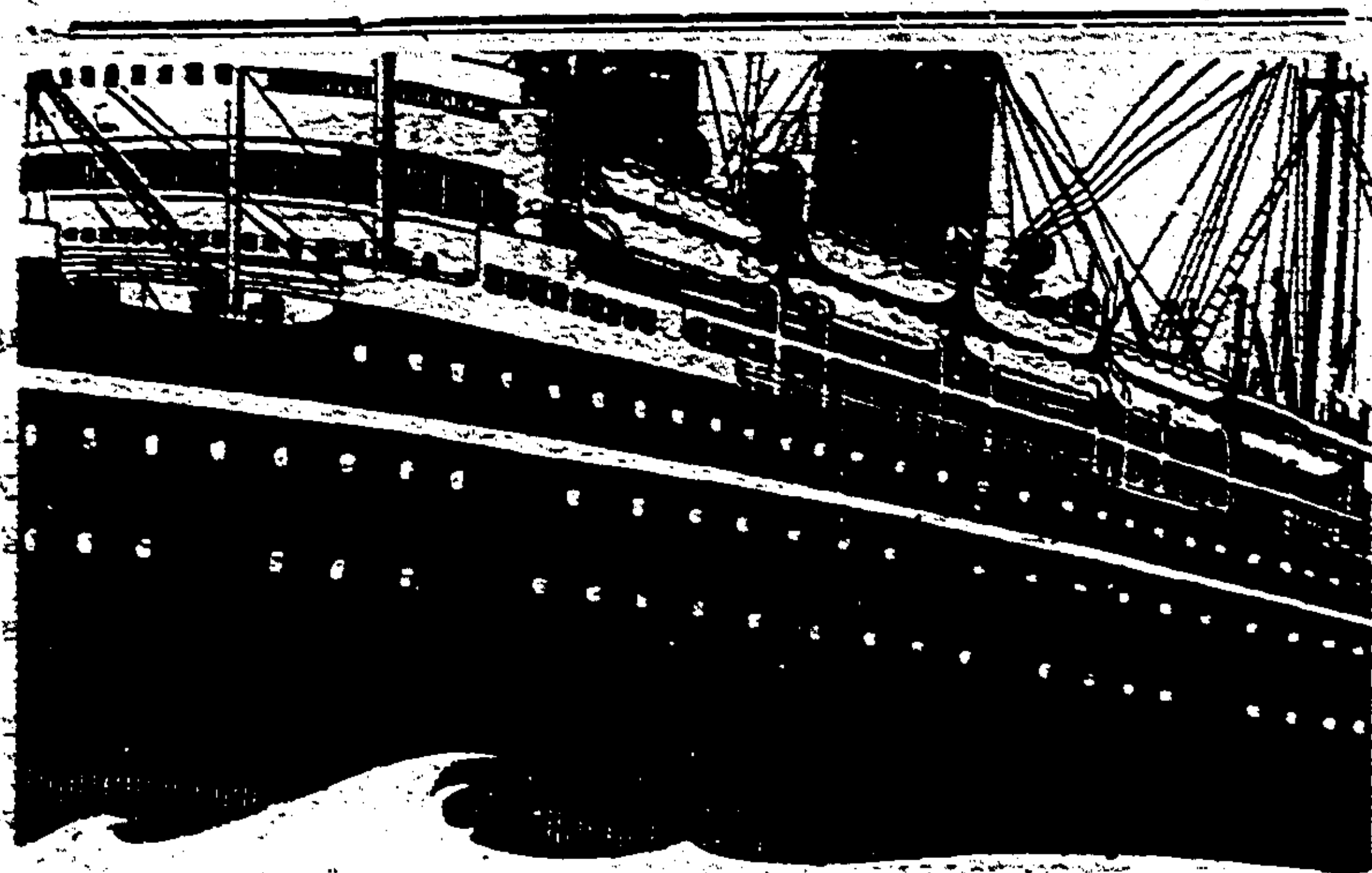
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Arways "Service" — due Darwin	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
23rd March.	Reg.	Mar. 19, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Cathay		Fri., Mar. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Siberia		Fri., Mar. 19, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Pres. Doumer	Fri., Mar. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Japan	Hosang	Fri., Mar. 19, 5 p.m.
	Saturday	
Letters for "R.L.M. Service" — due Carthage		Sat., Mar. 20, 8.30 a.m.
Amsterdam 25th March.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Mar. 20, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South		Sat., Mar. 20, 10 a.m.
Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe		Sat., Mar. 20, 10 a.m.
via Marseilles	Parcels	Fri., Mar. 19, 5 p.m.
(Due Marseilles, 16th April).	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 20, 9.45 a.m.
Hoihow, Palau and *Hsinphong	Kwangtung	Sat., Mar. 20, 1.30 a.m.
Hsinphong	Canton	Sat., Mar. 20, 2 p.m.
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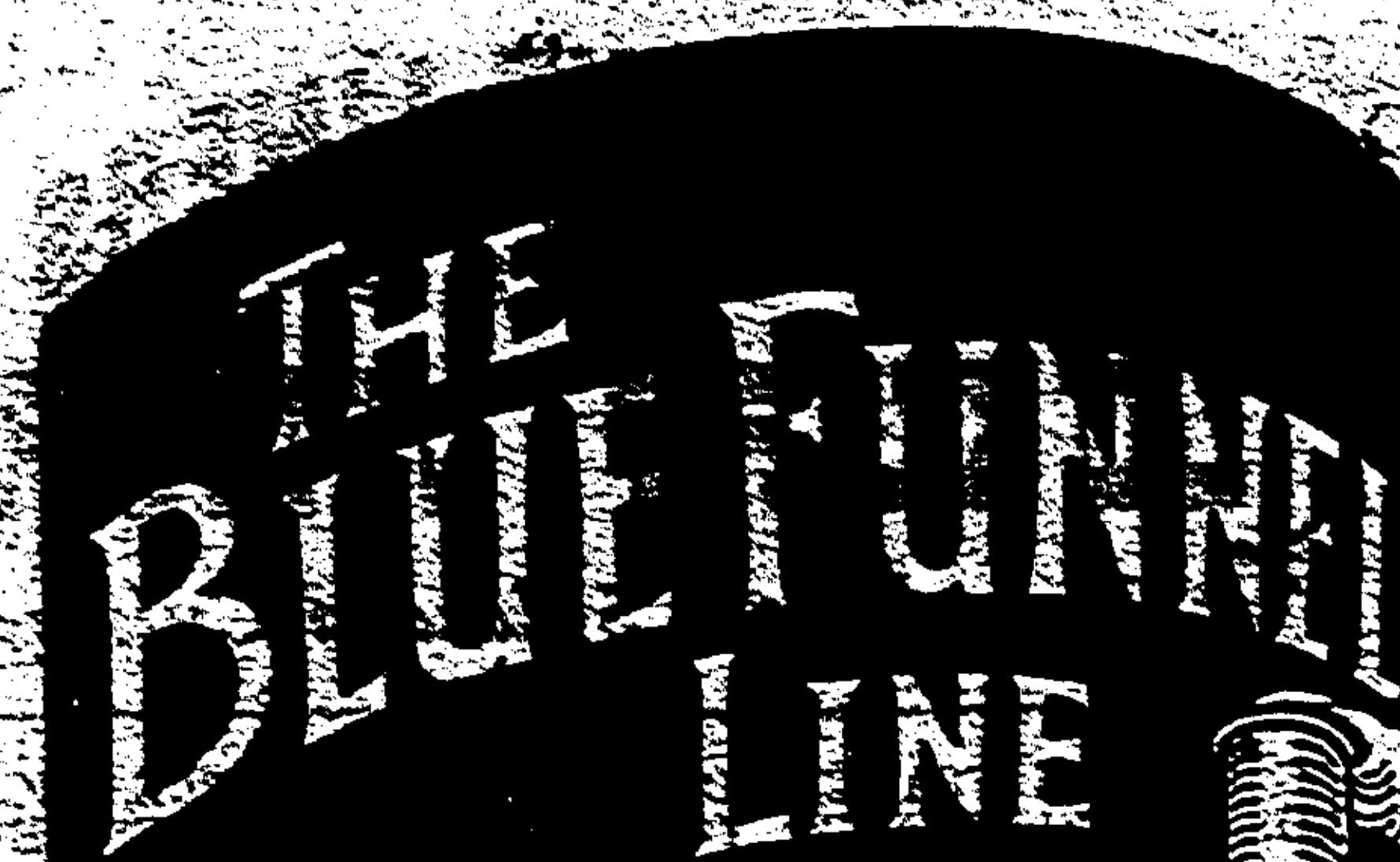
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BANKS	
Hong Kong Bank \$1860 s., \$1855/-	
1857 1/2 sa.	
Bank of East Asia \$85 s.	
INSURANCES	
Canton Ins. \$315 s.	
Union Ins. \$630 s., \$630/632 sa.	
China Underwriters \$1.15 sa.	
H.K. Fire Ins. \$235 s.	
SHIPPING	
Douglases \$36 s.	
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS,	
ETC.	
H. K. and K. Wharves \$113 1/2 b.,	
\$114 sa.	
H. K. and W. Docks \$31 b., \$31 1/2 sa.	
Providents (Old) \$2.20 b., \$2.30 s.,	
\$2.20 1/4 sa.	

MINING	
Raubs \$12.85 s., \$12.85 sa.	
LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.	
H. K. and S. Hotels \$7 1/2 b., \$7/7.10	
sa.	
H. K. Lands \$36 b., \$36 1/2 s., \$36 sa.	
H.K. Realities \$5 1/2 b., \$5.85 s., \$5.80	
sa.	

PUBLIC UTILITIES	
H. K. Tramways \$15.30 b., \$14 1/2/-	
15 1/4 sa.	
Peak Trams (Old) \$4 1/2 b.	
Star Ferries \$88 1/2 b., \$88 1/2/89 sa.	
Yaumati Ferries \$25 1/2 b.	
China Lights (Old) \$14.70 b., \$14-	
40/55 sa.	
China Light (New) \$11.70 b. and sa.	
H.K. Electrics \$58 1/2 b., \$58 1/2/-	
sa.	

Sandakan Light \$11 1/2 b.	
Telephones (Old) \$30 1/2 b., \$30 1/4	
sa.	
Telephones (New) \$12 1/4 b.	
INDUSTRIALS	
Cements \$14 1/2 b.	
H.K. Ropes \$4 1/2 b. and sa.	
STORES, & C.	
Diry Farms \$27 1/2 s. and sa.	
Watsons \$5 1/2 b., \$5 1/4 sa.	

COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Cottons Sh. \$15.80 b.	
Shanghai Cottons (Old) Sh. \$115 b.	
Shanghai Cottons (New) \$90 b.	
MISCELLANEOUS	
Constructions (New) 45 cts. b.	

	Opening	B.	Sa.
	10 a.m.	L.	L.
	in Pesos	C.	C.
Antamoks	1.45		
Atoks	.42		
Baguio Gold	.27 1/2		
Balatoc Mining	.14 1/2		
Benguet Consol.	.13 1/2 X Div.		
Benguet Explor.	.15 1/2		
Big Wedge	.28		
Coco Grove	.52		
Consolidated Mines	.041		
Demonstrations	.91		
E. Mindanao	.33 1/2		
Gumans G'field	.26		
Ipo Gold	.28		
I. K. L.	.145		
Itogons	.145		
Masbate Consol.	.43		
Min. Resources	.36 1/2		
Northern Mining	.13		
Paracale Gumans	.65		
Salacot Mining	.64		
San Mauricio	.275		
Suyoc Consol.	.44 1/2		
United Paracales	.96		

LOCAL DOLLAR

Silver Prices Rise

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20-15/16 and "forward" at 20-15/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$-U.S.\$4.8860.

RUBBER STILL RISING

London, To-day.

As a consequence of the decision of the International Rubber Committee to raise the export quota for the second half of 1937 from 85 per cent to 90 per cent, the price of the commodity rose to Is. 1 1/2d. a lb. yesterday.

A cable from Singapore states that rubber there rose two cents a lb.—Trans-Ocean.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 41 1/2 b. Up 3/4
April-June 41 1/2 b. Up 3/4
July-Sept. 42 b. Up 3/4
Oct-Dec. 42 b. Up 1/2

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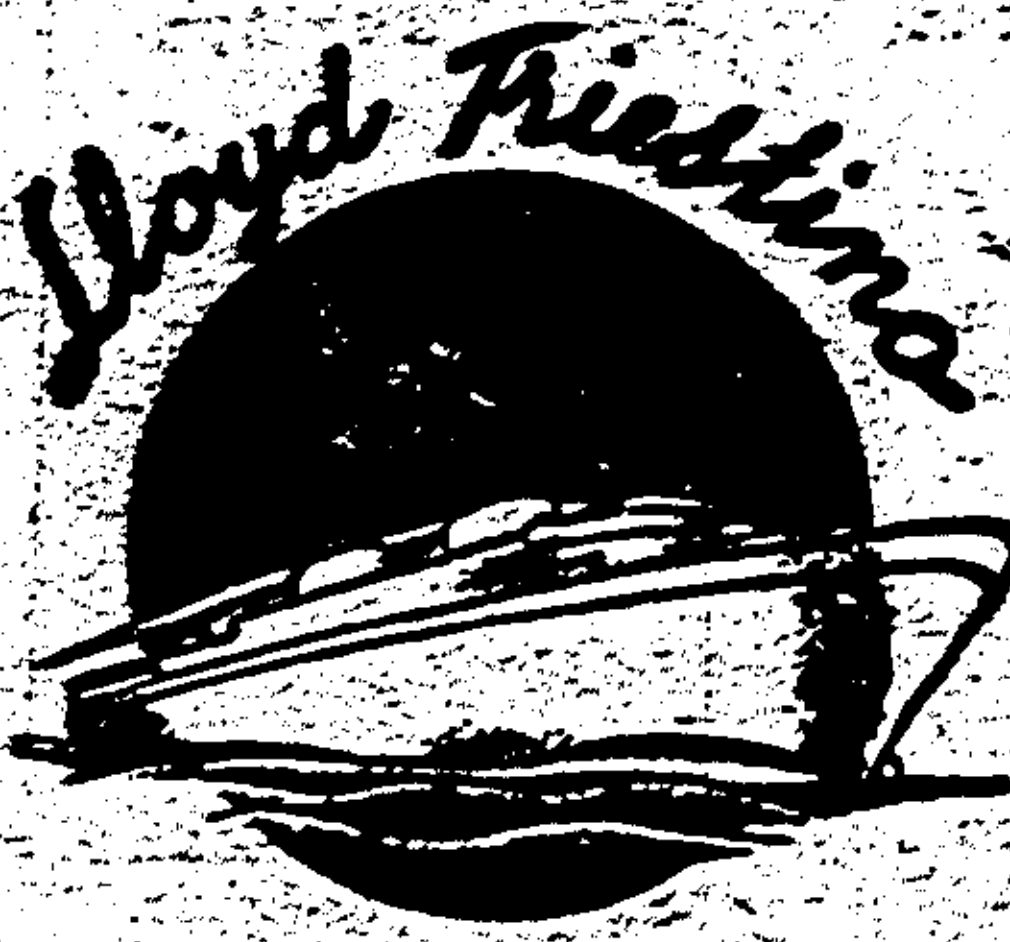
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The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

	Prev. Closing	Yesterday Closing
New York Cotton:		
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May	14.41	14.29
July	14.25	14.18
October	13.57	13.57
December	13.50	13.50
January	13.51	13.51
Spot	15.00	14.28
Chicago Wheat:		
March	24.98n	25.00n
May	25.03	25.08
July	25.15	25.18
September	25.18	25.19
December	25.19	25.22
New York Rubber:		
May	137½	138
July	122½	123½
September	120½	121½
Chicago Corn:		
May	109¾	109½
July	106½	105½
September	100%	100¾
Winnipeg Wheat:		
May	134½	136¾
July	131½	133¾
October	121½	124

TIN RESTRICTION ABOLITION?

London, To-day.

The removal of tin restriction was suggested by a questioner in the House of Commons yesterday.

The Secretary for the Colonies, Mr. Ormsby Gore, replied that he thought the recent increase in the quota helped the situation.

He added that abolition of the quota altogether did not concern Britain alone and it would involve legislation in many countries. — Reuter.

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LEE WAI TONG'S EASY TENNIS WIN



Baron Gottfried von Cramm, above, suffered his first defeat at the hands of Heiner Henkel, his German colleague, in the final of the Beaulieu Tournament.

HENKEL'S FIRST VICTORY OVER VON CRAMM

MME. MATHIEU'S TRIUMPH

ONLY ONE BRITISH VICTORY

By A. WALLIS MYERS

Beaulieu, February 22.

H. Henkel gained his first victory to-day over G. von Cramm, beating his compatriot by 5-7, 6-2, 6-3 in the men's singles final. Frequently scoring with a cannon-ball service and volleying brilliantly, Henkel revealed the value of a persistent attack.

By mutual arrangement, in view of the doubles final later, the contest was limited to three sets. Henkel could, therefore, throw all his energies into a frontal campaign.

In previous matches against von Cramm, he had failed to consolidate a winning lead, losing ground as the strain accumulated. To-day's short, sharp burst found him confident and masterful.

GERMAN'S DOUBLES WIN

The Germans' superior training and team-work won them the men's doubles, von Cramm and Henkel beating J. Brugnon and C. Boussus in the final by 6-3, 8-6, 6-1. Boussus was the weak factor, and his mistakes cost the French side the second set, in which Brugnon made an heroic effort. Henkel was the best of the four, and once more his fast first service wrought havoc.

Hughes gained England's solitary victory, when with Mrs. Sperling he beat Boussus and Senorita Lizana in the final of the mixed doubles.

Mrs. Sperling and Mme. Mathieu won the women's doubles, but only after Senorita Lizana and Miss Hardwick, a set-down and 1-5 with match ball facing them, had recovered to five-all—a brave but vain rally against superior tactics.

WIN-OUTRIGHT

Mme. R. Mathieu won the Beaulieu Gold Cup outright yesterday by defeating Mrs. Sperling in the final by 7-5, 6-1. This is the first time she has beaten the German, and it is the first match Mrs. Sperling had lost on hard courts

J. F. LEYS EASILY DEFEATED

LOSER'S VERY BAD POSITIONING

SIRDAR RUMJAHN ALSO WINS

(By "ADREM")

Winning the first eight games with the greatest of ease, Lee Wai-tong displayed excellent form to dispose of J. F. Leys in straight sets in the Open Singles Tennis Championship of the Colony, played at the Hong Kong C.C. yesterday afternoon.

Lee in the initial stages played amazing tennis and never gave his opponent time to settle down. His ball control was uncanny, his clever drop-shots and stop-volleys being admirably executed. Leys was obviously bewildered and was completely demoralised. His service, of which a great deal was expected, was very disappointing and the number of double-faults he served was colossal.

The first eight games barely lasted 15 minutes and then, with Lee slackening off, Leys' strokes started to function. Although trailing until the 10th game, he played very much better and hit his forehand flat-racket drive with great severity.

POOR BACKHAND

He was often outpositioned, however, by running round the ball to take it on the forehand and only used his backhand when absolutely compelled to. After saving several match points, Leys levelled the score at five all, but Lee pulled out his big guns and secured the next two games for the match.

Frank Grose, although beaten in straight sets, gave an excellent display against Sirdar Rumjahn. His strokes were more polished than the former champion's, but the latter's fine courtcraft placed the issue beyond doubt.

In the other singles match, Wong Fuk-man's severer stroking gave him his match against H. Y. Ho, who was entirely lacking in initiative.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Open Singles

Lee Wai-tong beat J. F. Leys 6-0, 7-5.
Wong Fuk-man beat H. Y. Ho 6-2, 6-4.
S. A. Rumjahn beat F. Grose 6-3, 7-5.

Club Handicap Singles

G. S. Chambers (+3.6) beat J. C. Pool (+2.5) 7-5, 8-6.
W. M. Barton (+1.6) beat J. R. Collis (+1.5) 6-3, 6-2.

F. A. Joseph (+2.6) beat N. K. Littlejohn (+3.6) 6-0, 6-0.

Club Handicap Doubles

J. E. Richardson and R. M. Wood beat W. Stoker and D. L. Prophet 6-2, 6-4.

Club Mixed Doubles

A. L. Sullivan and Mrs. Sullivan received a walkover from R. K. Valentine and Mrs. Valentine.
T. C. Monaghan and Miss Carrighan beat Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Mackenzie 6-4, 6-3.

for two years.

Beaulieu is famous for marathon finals, and if this one did not equal in duration the famous struggle of 1921 between Kingscote and Gordon Lowe, which lasted over four hours, the rallies were very long, many exceeding 80 strokes.



Lee Wai-tong, above, succeeded in beating J. F. Leys comfortably in their Open Singles Lawn Tennis Championship encounter at the H.K.C.C. yesterday.

PAUL KONG AND LEONARD MEET TO-DAY

Exciting Clash Anticipated

2 DOUBLES GAMES ON THE CARD

This afternoon's match in the Colony Open Singles Lawn Tennis Championship at the Hong Kong C.C., between Paul Kong and Joe Leonard, should provide one of the best struggles to date in the current tournament. Both are players of vast experience and while Kong probably has a larger repertoire of strokes, Leonard is a great fighter and can be relied upon to sustain a rally indefinitely.

He has based his game more on defence than attack and it takes tennis very much out of the ordinary to beat him. I expect him to win over three sets.

In the doubles, Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheong should win a close game against Y. N. Tam and S. Wong, while A. M. Rodrigues and L. A. Silva, of the Recreio, should enter the next round at the expense of H. P. Ong and J. Hsu of the University.

Three matches in the Club championship and three in the Club handicap doubles, complete the programme.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Singles
P. Kong v J. W. Leonard.

Open Doubles
Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheong v Y. N. Tam and S. Wong.

A. M. Rodrigues and L. A. Silva v H. P. Ong and J. Hsu.

Club Championship Singles
J. C. Pool v V. R. Gordon.

A. S. Read v R. M. Wood.

H. Owen Hughes v T. C. Monaghan.

Club Handicap Doubles
G. W. Sewell and E. Bathurst v A. H. McBride and N. K. Littlejohn.

A. T. Dow and H. D. Bidwell v G. E. R. Divett and E. O'M. Deane.

F. G. Nigel and R. M. M. King v E. M. Bryden and D. S. Robb.

H.K.F.A. TEAM FOR GOVERNOR'S CUP

The following have been chosen to represent the Hong Kong Football Association against the H.K. Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation in the Governor's Cup game at Soccerpoo, on Easter Monday, March 29.

Rowlands (Fullbacks); Wolverson (Navy) and Stevens (Rifles); Williamson (Sexton's); Beltrac (Recreio) and Parker (Police); Erwin (Rifles); J. Leonard (St. Joseph's); A. V. Goans (Recreio); Talbot (Fullbacks) and Rickford (Club).

EXCITING BADMINTON DISPLAYS

MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

ONG & KOH LOSE EARLY LEAD

M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios, Recreio's leading pair, were fully extended in the Quarter-Finals of the Colony Men's Doubles Badminton Championship at King's College last night, by T. J. Ong and F. Koh, of the Chinese "Y", the issue going to three games before Recreio's players won.

Ong, ably supported by F. Koh, again played a brilliant game, but his stamina failed him during the latter stages of the games.

T. C. Lee and P. K. Hui, of the University, were also seriously extended in the second game of the evening, when they encountered S. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok, of the Chinese Recreation Club, but secured the necessary aces to enter the Semi-finals.

E. de Souza gave a fine performance in partnership with H. A. Alves against K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong, whom they defeated by two clear games.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

H. A. Alves and E. de Souza beat K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong 16-4, 16-3.
T. C. Lee and P. K. Hui beat S. W. Liang and F. H. Kwok 16-4, 18-16.
J. J. Remedios and M. A. Oliveira beat T. J. Ong and F. Koh 8-15, 15-7, 15-11.

QUARRY BAY SCHOOL ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEET

ENJOYABLE DAY AT TAIKOO CLUB

A great deal of fun and amusement was provided at the annual sports meeting of the Quarry Bay School, held on the lawn of the Taikoo Recreation Club, yesterday.

At the conclusion of the sports, the happy children crowded around a table placed in the centre of the lawn, where Mrs. K. E. Greig, wife of the Manager of the Taikoo Dockyard, distributed the prizes. She was given a bouquet of flowers.

The results of the various sections were as follows:

Senior A.—1, Frank Langley; 2, Jock Mackie; 3, Norman Osborne.

Senior B.—1, Jackie Strange; 2, Ian Robertson; 3, Margaret Morgan.

Intermediate A.—1, Rowland Pearce; 2, Peter Potts; 3, John Knight.

Intermediate B.—1, Robin Bell; 2, Douglas Bates; 3, A. Macfarlan.

Junior.—1, Anthony Cutcher; 2, John Black; 3, Bobby Taylor.

Shield for Boy with most points.—Jack Strange.

Shield for Girl with most points.—Margaret Morgan.

ST. PAUL'S SPORTS

The 28th annual athletic sports of St. Paul's College will be held on the South China A. A. ground, Caroline Hill, on Wednesday, March 24, from 1.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mrs. S. W. Tso has kindly consented to give away the prizes.

WORLD FLY-WEIGHT TITLE

BOARD QUESTION
JIM WARNOCK'S
CLAIMS

SURPRISE MOVE BY SCOTS

(By Harold Lewis)

London, February 19.

An attempt is being made by the Scottish branch of the British Boxing Board of Control to attach the world's fly-weight championship to a match made between Benny Lynch, of Glasgow, world's champion, and Jim Warnock, of Belfast, to take place in Glasgow on June 2.

It was stated recently in definite terms by Mr. C. F. Donmall, secretary of the Board, on behalf of the stewards, that this title match would not be permitted until Warnock had proved himself superior to two other challengers, Peter Kane, of Liverpool, and Phil Milligan, of Oldham.

The Scottish branch, however, has decided to support the effort of the Glasgow promoter to stage the fight with the world's title—and, of course, the British title—at stake.

SURPRISED

Mr. Donmall, surprised by the news from Scotland, said last night: "The Scottish branch is subservient to the stewards of the Board, and can do no more than send an application to London for the stewards to consider. The last word lies with the stewards."

The Scottish branch has written to headquarters, and the two boxers have also written to say that whoever wins will waive the six months' grace allowed champions, and will forthwith meet the winner of a fight between Kane and Milligan.

The Scottish branch is careful to avoid a direct challenge, but if, from their action, a challenge is deduced by the stewards the position is likely to be serious.

BOARD'S WISE POLICY

Warnock defeated Lynch in a non-title fight in Belfast some time ago, and a return contest under championship conditions would doubtless be a great attraction in Glasgow. But the Board of Control have, with a few exceptions, held steadily to their constructive policy of eliminating contests to ensure that the best challenger faces the champion. It entails delays at times, but it is a wise policy.

Mr. William Walker, chairman of the Scottish branch said yesterday: "We hope the matter will be settled amicably. The position is rather complicated. Public opinion, no doubt, would judge whether the fight was for the world title or not."

TITLE CONDITIONS

That last sentence could apply only to a match under championship conditions; and if the Board permit this, they will run the risk, in the event of the defeat of Lynch, of the boxing world accepting Warnock as the champion, no matter what officialdom may say.

A similar case might have arisen recently when Jack Petersen and Ben Foord, the British heavy-weight champion, were matched to box at Harringay. The Board ruled that it was not to be a championship fight, but were willing that it should be under championship rules. As it happened, Foord could not box, and Walter Neusel, the German, was substituted.

Lynch, incidentally, is leaving on



George Varoff, right, and Don Lash, left, are here shown after they broke world's records in their events at the A. A. meet in Boston, Massachusetts. Lash eclipsed Paavo Nurmi's 12-year-old indoor standard with 8 minutes 58 seconds for the two miles run.

IT IS COMING

Five-Day Cricket Tests
In England

WILL STARTLE
MANY

NOW that Mr. Plum Warner has thrown his influence and argumentative powers into it, we may see the next cricket Tests in England played over five days.

The suggestion is certain to meet with the usual crop of opposition platitudes. The only way to determine the actual value and soundness of the suggestion in the eyes of people who have seen cricket played in England only is by experience in five-day match play.

When it was determined to play the fifth Test to a finish in 1926, at Kennington Oval, it met with opposition from many amiable adherents to the regime of fifty years earlier. But the match itself so sparkled with highlights of English success, following bursts of Australian fighting, and culminating amid national enthusiasm over victory for England that it was classed by many as "the greatest match ever."

The same national enthusiasm may arise if England determines on five days for the 1938 Tests, with every one of the five matches producing a definite result.

There is another angle of weighty influence with county clubs. It is that the financial success of the Tests, great in the past, will be still greater at a period when the expense of running county clubs is heavier than it ever was before the war.

CIVILIAN SOCCER XI FOR LAI WAH CUP

The following will represent the Civilians against the Army in the final of the Lai Wah Cup competition, which was scheduled for next Saturday, but which has been postponed to a further date owing to the combined manoeuvres.

G. Rogers (Club); A. V. Gosano (Recreation); V. Costa (St. Joseph's); E. North (Police); N. Beltrac (Recreation); A. S. Elias (Kowloon); F. Fowler (Club); B. Gosano (Recreation); D. Leonard (St. Joseph's); D. Knox (Kowloon) and B. L. Bickford (Club).

March 31 for a three-weeks holiday in America. He will have three fights before he sails and will be back in time to train for the Warnock contest.

POLICE DRAW ON GRAND NATIONAL

FIRST PRIZE OF
\$4,922

The draw for the Police Recreation Club Sweepstake on the Grand National was held at the Clubhouse last evening and resulted as follows:

Golden Miller	5634
Royal Mail	3680
What Have You	323
Ready Cash	3633
De La Neige	6074
Dewmar	5282
Didoric	9436
Tapinois	9261
De La Chance	7385
Buckhorn	7300
Ego	2511
Don Bradman	1286
Keen Blade	3999
Packabelle	6786
Crown Prince	5362
Sunspot II	1836
Emancipator	3523
Misdemeanour II	3963
Pencraik	6923
Dryburgh	3600
Drum	248
Irvine	3489
Blaze	2509
Uncle Batt	3974
Fieldmaster	6185
Sugar Loaf	2858
True Blue	4312
Spionand	7877
Flying Minutes	708
Milk Punch	6581
Colleen	9213
Kiltai	5144
Passing Fancy	4164
The Field	6737
9163 Chances at \$1	\$3,163.00
Betting Tax	482.50
Commission	863.10
Starters, Divide 10%	781.29
Balance divided as under:	
First Prize 70%	\$4,922.12
Second Prize 20%	1,406.32
Third Prize 10%	703.16

The following tickets were cancelled, 3863, 3923, 5728, 6094, 6095, 6097, 6098, 6099, 8260, 8276, 8273, 8271, 8265, 1226, to 1250 and 9876 to 9900.

Oxford Set Another Record

London, To-day.

The Oxford University boat race crew carried out another practice yesterday when they rowed from Barnes Bridge to Hammersmith Bridge in 7 minutes 42 seconds in spite of a stiff head wind in the latter part of the row.

The previous best time for the distance was 7 minutes 45 seconds, rowed by the Dark Blues in 1933.

The Oxford crew moved like a train yesterday but the Cantab President told Reuter that he thinks Cambridge are still strong favourites.—Reuter.

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JACK SMITH LEAVES CLAPTON ORIENT

London, February 17.
Clapton Orient have released Jack Smith, the former England international and Portsmouth forward, from his agreement with the club, to enable him to go into business.

The Orient directors have unanimously turned down a suggestion that the club should be moved from its present headquarters at Lea Bridge to Mitcham Stadium. Mr. W. J. Fell, chairman of Streatham Town F.C., stated yesterday that London League club had decided to protest to the F.A. against the proposed scheme to bring a professional club to the Mitcham Stadium.

Clubs' Replies On Dual Control Reviewed

London, February 23.

The Football League Management Committee yesterday reviewed the replies of the clubs to its questionnaire on the two-referees system.

No official indication was given of the clubs' attitude towards dual control, but it is understood that interesting developments may be expected in the near future.

A member of the committee said: "It has now reached a very interesting and delicate stage. So many of the clubs have been guarded in

their replies. Some are sitting on the fence, and we find that the majority of those not favourable to the plan cover themselves by expressing a desire to see it tried out."

This opportunity may be provided. The question whether two-referees control becomes law, however, does not entirely rest with the League clubs. It can be dealt with by the F. A. Council in the form of a proposal, and, if carried, would then be put before the International Board.

STAR AMATEUR FORWARD BECOMES A PRO.

London, February 17.

One of the most widely sought-after amateurs in the country, Ian Gillespie, Harwich and Parkston inside right, yesterday signed professional forms for Crystal Palace.

Gillespie, who is twenty-two, played in an international trial match this season, and had also been selected for the F.A. amateur team's forthcoming tour of Australia and New Zealand. Four First Division clubs, three from the Second Division and two from the Third (Southern) had been angling for his signature.



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FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

Comprehensive Table Shows Form At A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all Clubs in the four premier English Football League and the premier Scottish League will be found in the appended table. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they fared in their last five matches are given.

The letters W, L, and D indicate matches won, lost and drawn respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters, while away games are denoted by ordinary type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season, an asterisk denotes that that team has been promoted, and a dagger that that team has been relegated.

First Division	HOME					AWAY				
	P	P	W	L	Goals	P	P	W	L	Goals
*Charlton (-) dDwTW	33	16	10	1	5 28 11 25	17	7	6	4	19 25 18 43
Arsenal (6) dDwWw	33	16	8	1	8 36 19 23	17	8	5	4	36 28 20 43
Middlesboro (14) wLwWw	33	17	12	0	5 42 15 29	16	5	10	1	22 28 11 40
Derby (4) lWwDw	33	16	10	4	2 43 29 22	17	6	6	5	29 40 17 39
Portsmouth (10) wWLWd	33	17	12	3	2 36 22 26	16	3	6	7	19 28 13 39
Brentford (5) wWdWl	32	16	12	1	3 38 14 27	16	3	6	7	19 28 13 39
Manchester C. (9) dWdWw	31	16	11	1	4 41 15 26	15	3	6	6	24 33 12 38
Sunderland (1) lWlWl	32	15	14	0	1 39 13 29	17	2	12	3	19 40 7 36
Wolves (5) wLwD	31	15	12	3	0 40 17 23	16	4	9	3	18 31 11 34
Chelsea (8) lDwL	33	17	9	3	5 31 21 23	16	2	9	5	13 28 9 32
Grimsby (17) lLwWl	33	17	10	4	3 46 26 23	16	3	10	3	16 38 9 32
Everton (16) WlLl	32	16	11	1	4 41 13 26	16	3	12	1	19 39 5 31
Birmingham (12) wWwDw	33	16	7	5	4 30 19 18	17	3	7	7	21 29 13 31
Huddersfield (3) lLlDl	33	16	9	3	4 31 10 22	17	1	11	5	19 37 7 30
Preston (7) dDdL	31	14	6	3	4 32 11 23	17	1	11	5	19 37 7 30
Stoke (4) lLlWl	31	16	8	3	5 29 19 21	15	1	10	4	14 30 6 27
Liverpool (19) lWdDl	33	16	7	3	6 33 19 20	17	2	12	3	17 42 7 27
Wednesday (20) lDdWl	31	16	8	6	2 26 20 18	15	0	8	7	16 19 7 25
W. Brom (18) lWdWl	33	16	9	3	4 32 11 23	15	2	9	4	17 38 8 25
Leeds (11) WlLl	32	16	10	4	2 32 18 22	16	1	15	0	15 46 2 24
Bolton (13) lLlDl	33	17	3	9	5 17 32 11	16	3	7	6	18 24 12 23
Manchester U. (-) lLlWl	33	16	6	3	7 23 31 19	17	1	15	1	14 38 3 22

Second Division	HOME					AWAY				
	P	P	W	L	Goals	P	P	W	L	Goals
Blackpool (10) lWwDw	34	17	12	3	2 42 18 26	17	10	5	2	39 23 22 48
Plymouth (7) lDwDd	33	16	10	1	5 34 19 25	17	6	6	5	25 25 17 42
Leicester (6) wWwWl	33	16	11	2	3 56 28 25	17	7	3	22	29 17 42
Bury (14) WlDwW	34	18	9	5	4 27 17 22	16	9	5	2	24 24 20 42
Fulham (9) dDdWd	33	16	9	4	3 30 22 21	17	6	8	5	27 30 18 39
†A. Villa (-) wWwWd	33	16	8	2	6 39 21 22	17	5	6	6	27 21 16 38
Sheffield U. (3) WlWlW	34	18	13	2	3 38 10 29	16	2	9	5	17 26 9 38
*Coventry (-) dWlDl	31	16	9	2	5 28 14 23	15	4	6	5	17 13 13 36
Newcastle (5) lDwWw	34	18	9	7	2 40 20 20	16	7	7	2	26 37 16 36
West Ham (5) WlWwD	33	17	10	3	4 35 14 24	16	4	9	3	18 28 11 35
†Blackburn (-) dWdWl	33	17	9	5	3 34 21 21	16	4	7	5	12 18 13 34
*Chesterfield (-) wWwWl	33	16	10	3	3 31 18 23	17	3	10	4	25 45 10 33
Tottenham (5) lWwDd	32	17	9	5	3 43 25 21	15	4	8	3	19 21 11 32
Burnley (15) lLlLl	33	17	8	5	4 27 17 20	16	3	10	3	15 43 9 29
†Stamton (17) wDlDl	33	17	9	4	4 30 19 22	16	2	11	3	15 31 7 29
*Barnsley (8) dLlWl	33	17	9	3	5 26 24 23	16	1	13	2	16 30 4 27
Norwich (11) lWlDw	33	17	5	7	5 19 24 15	16	4	8	4	16 28 12 27
Swansea (13) lLlDl	32	15	10	4	1 27 12 21	17	1	13	3	8 40 5 26
†Ford C. (12) WlDl	34	17	7	5	5 25 23 20	17	1	12	4	16 41 6 25
Notts F. (10) lLWl	32	16	7	5	4 25 20 18	16	1	11	4	20 36 6 24
Bradford (15) lLlDd	34	17	7	8	2 28 33 16	17	2	12	3	13 43 8 24
Doncaster (15) wWlLl	33	16	5	6	5 12 25 15	17	1	13	3	10 49 5 20

Third Division South	HOME					AWAY				
	P	P	W	L	Goals	P	P	W	L	Goals
Notts C. (9) dWwWw	32	17	12	2	3 36 19 27	15	5	4	6	22 16 43
Brighton (7) lWlWl	33	16	9	2	5 34 13 23	17	6	4	7	18 20 19 42
Luton (2) lWlWl	31	16	13	1	2 40 10 28	15	6	8	1	25 29 13 41
Watford (15) wWdWl	33	16	12	2	2 37 13 26	17	4	7	6	18 26 14 40
Queen's Pk. (4) lWwDw	33	17	11	5	1 37 21 23	16	5	6	5	16 17 16 39
Southend (18) wLdWl	32	16	7	3	6 36 19 20	16	7	6	3	26 26 17 37
Reading (3) dWlWl	31	16	10	2	4 39 19 24	15	3	7	5	16 24 11 35
Gillingham (16) lWlDl	31	15	10	1	4 29 15 24	16	4	9	3	11 34 11 35
Millwall (12) lWlDl	30	15	9	5	1 24 17 19	15	5	4	6	18 15 16 35
Norpton (15) WlWl	33	16	11	2	3 42 16 25	17	4	12	1	21 33 9 34
Bournemouth (8) lDwL	32	16	12	2	2 27 11 26	16	2	10	4	13 28 8 34
Clapton (11) WdWlW	32	16	9	1	6 23 13 24	16	2	9	5	16 29 9 33
Crystal P. (6) WdWlW	33	17	9	3	5 38 21 23	16	1	10	5	12 28 7 30
*Bristol R. (-) lWlWl	32	16	10	4	2 36 17 22	16	3	13	1	15 40 7 29
Swindon (19) lLlWl	31	16	10	4	2 41 17 22	15	0	9	6	19 31 6 28
Bristol C. (13) wWlWl	31	15	11	3	1 32 23 23	16	2	13	1	15 43 5 28
Torquay (10) dWlWl	33	18	8	8	2 35 25 18	15	3	9	3	11 30 9 27
Cardiff (20) lDlWl	31	16	7	5	4 25 16 18	15	3	9	3	15 34 9 27
Newport (21) wLlWl	32	16	5	6	5 28 26 15	16	2	11	3	24 57 7 22
Walsall (-) lDlWl	31	16	7	5	2 22 26 16	15	1	10	4	18 35 6 23
Exeter (22) lWdWd	33	17	6	7	4 24 36 16	16	1	10	5	17 37 7 22
Aldershot (11) lWlWl	32	15	3	7	5 20 20 11	17	2	13	2	15 32 6 17

Third Division North	HOME					AWAY				
	P	P	W	L	Goals	P	P	W	L	Goals
Chester (2) wWwDw	34	18	14	1	3 53 17 31	16	6	7	3	18 28 15 46
Lincoln (4) wWwWl	31	16	13	2	1 47 28 27	15	6	4	5	25 31 16 43
Stockport (5) lWwLw	32	17	13	1	3 49 17 29	15	4	5	6	14 17 14 43
†Hull (-) lLlDl	33	16	9	2	5 25 14 23	17	5	7	5	22 34 15 38
†P. Vale (-) WlLl	34	17	10	4	3 32 19 23	17	5	8	4	17 30 14 37
Oldham (7) dLlWl	30	16	10	2	4 36 17 24	14	5	6	3	30 35 13 37
Hartlepool (8) lWwWl	32	16	13	3	0 39 16 26	16	2	9	5	18 45 9 33
Wrexham (18) dLlWl	31	15	9	3	3 35 14 21	16	8	5	27	28 31 32
Southport (21) lWwDl	34	18	9	4	5 32 33 23	16	2	9	5	26 39 9 32
Halifax (18) lWdLl	31	15	6	4	5 22 11 17	18	6	8	2	17 34 14 31
Mansfield (19) lLlWl	32	17	8	7	2 33 21 18	15	4	6	5	16 23 13 31
Accrington (9) dLlWl	31	16	10	5	1 34 20 21	15	3	9	3	11 26 9 30
Carlisle (13) wDwWl	31	15	9	3	3 48 13 21	16	4	11	1	15 32 9 30
York (16) dLlWl	30	14	8	5	1 32 21 17	16	2	7	7	19 39 11 28
N. Brighton (22) dWwWl	32	16	6	3	7 17 20 19	16	3	10	3	17 33 29 28
Bochdale (28) WlWlW	33	17	10	5	2 34 20 22	16	0	10	6	28 42 5 28
Crews (6) WlWlW	33	16	7	3	5 23 21 19	17	2	11	4	26 49 9 27
Tranmere (3) lWwWl	32	16	9	3	4 48 12 22	16	2	13	1	15 40 5 27
Rotherham (11) lLlLl	34	16	7	2	6 36 21 28	18	2	14	2	22 47 5 26
Gateshead (14) dWlWl	31	15	8	5	2 44 19 16	16	4	10	2	16 28 16 26
Barnsley (15) dDdWd	32	15	8	6	4 41 18 17	16	2	8	5	21 41 11 25
Darlington (12) WlLlLl	32	16	5	4	7 32 32 17	16	1	11	4	12 37 8 23

HIGHEST PRAISE FOR MILLWALL'S PROGRESS

Success Due Mainly To David Mangnall

London.—The crowd scenes on the Millwall ground before and after the match were alarming, and now is the time to sound a note of warning. Millwall's Cup progress this season calls for the highest praise. Fulham, Chelsea—and now Derby County. No team left in the competition can point to a finer bag.

Much of their success is due to David Mangnall, the former Leeds United and West Ham forward, whom Millwall secured for less than £1,000. Mr. George Jobey, Derby County's manager, is credited with having placed Mangnall's present transfer value at £5,000 after last Saturday's match.

HOME FOOTBALL

Eight Goals In Scottish Cup Tie

ABERDEEN WIN

London, To-day. Two encounters in the Fourth Round of the Scottish F. A. Cup, which were postponed last Saturday owing to grounds being unfit for play, were held yesterday when Celtic and Motherwell shared eight goals, while Hamilton Academicals lost to Aberdeen by the odd goal in three. The latter will now meet Morton in the Semi-Final Round on the Hibernian ground.

An English International trial was held at Burnley where Probables beat the Possibles, by two clear goals.

Other English and Scottish League results as cabled by Reuter, are as follows:—

FIRST DIVISION

Wolves 1 Portsmouth 1

SECOND DIVISION

Newcastle 3 Notts Forest 2

THIRD DIVISION (South)

Exeter 1 Millwall 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Dunfermline 1 St. Mirren 0

Scottish Cup Draw

London, To-day.

The draw for the Semi-Final Round of the Scottish F. A. Cup, to be played on April 3, has resulted in Morton meeting Aberdeen, on the Hibernian ground, while Celtic or Motherwell will meet Clyde, on the Rangers' ground.—Reuter.

WALES SECURE INTERNATIONAL SOCCER TITLE

Ireland Dominate Early Exchanges

GLOVER SCORES TWICE

London, To-day.

Wales won the International Association Football Championship yesterday when they beat Ireland by 4 goals to 1 at Wrexham, before a gathering of 25,000 spectators in beautiful weather, the sun shining throughout the encounter.

Ireland were the more impressive during the earlier stages, while Griffiths was outstanding in the Welsh defence.

Bryn Jones, the Welsh inside-left, opened the scoring in the 25th minute after a clever combined movement, following which the Irish forwards seemed to lose their confidence.

FURTHER AHEAD

Wales steadily improved as the game progressed and Glover, their centre-forward, placed Wales further ahead in the 32nd minute with a grand goal, Wales leading at the interval by two clear goals.

Glover further added to Wales' score soon after the resumption from a pass by Warren, beating the Irish custodian with a rasping drive in the 50th minute.

DROPPED BALL

Ireland were very fortunate to score their only goal when Stevenson, their inside-left, netted after the Welsh custodian had dropped the ball after effecting a save.

Wales dominated the exchanges from then onwards and Warren, their left-winger, secured Wales' fourth goal after cutting in from the wing. Wales were comfortable winners.—Reuter.

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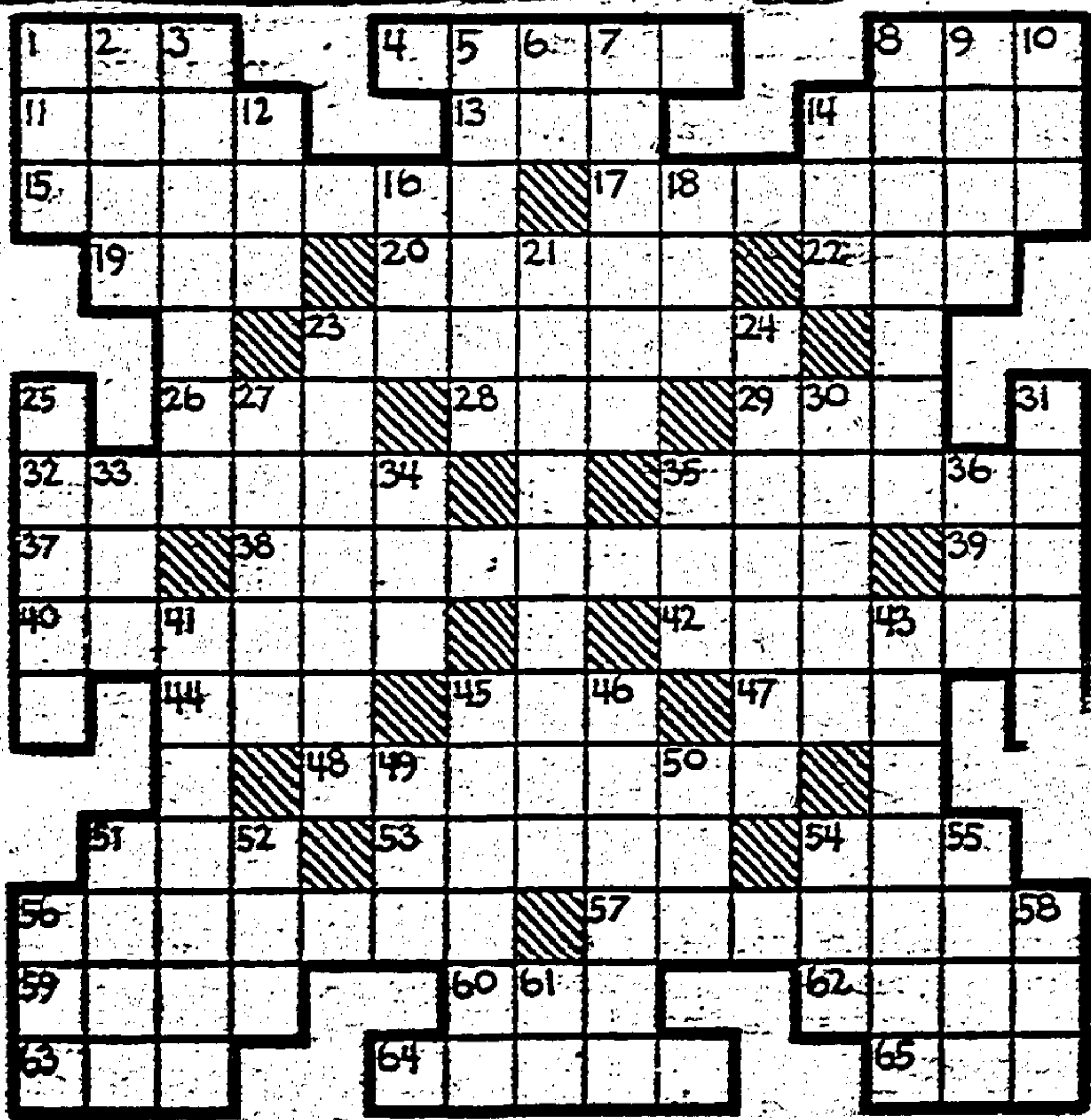
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Young goat
- 4—To intersect
- 8—Mineral spring
- 11—Makes a mistake
- 13—Entomology (abbr.)
- 14—Wither
- 15—Produced
- 17—Pertaining to America
- 19—Speak
- 20—Wild
- 22—Woodland sprites
- 23—Guided
- 25—Consume
- 26—Masculine (abbr.)
- 29—Before
- 32—Sultry
- 35—Near
- 37—Indefinite article
- 38—Enroll
- 39—You and I
- 41—The lower animals
- 42—A cubic metric measure (pl.)
- 44—An insect
- 46—Chief Babylonian god
- 47—A compass point (abbr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48—A flower (pl.)
- 51—Pig-pen
- 53—A billiard term
- 54—Man's name
- 56—Replies sharply
- 57—Intend
- 59—A prophetic sign (abbr.)
- 60—A compass point (abbr.)
- 62—Girl's name
- 63—Command
- 64—Decorate
- 65—Observed

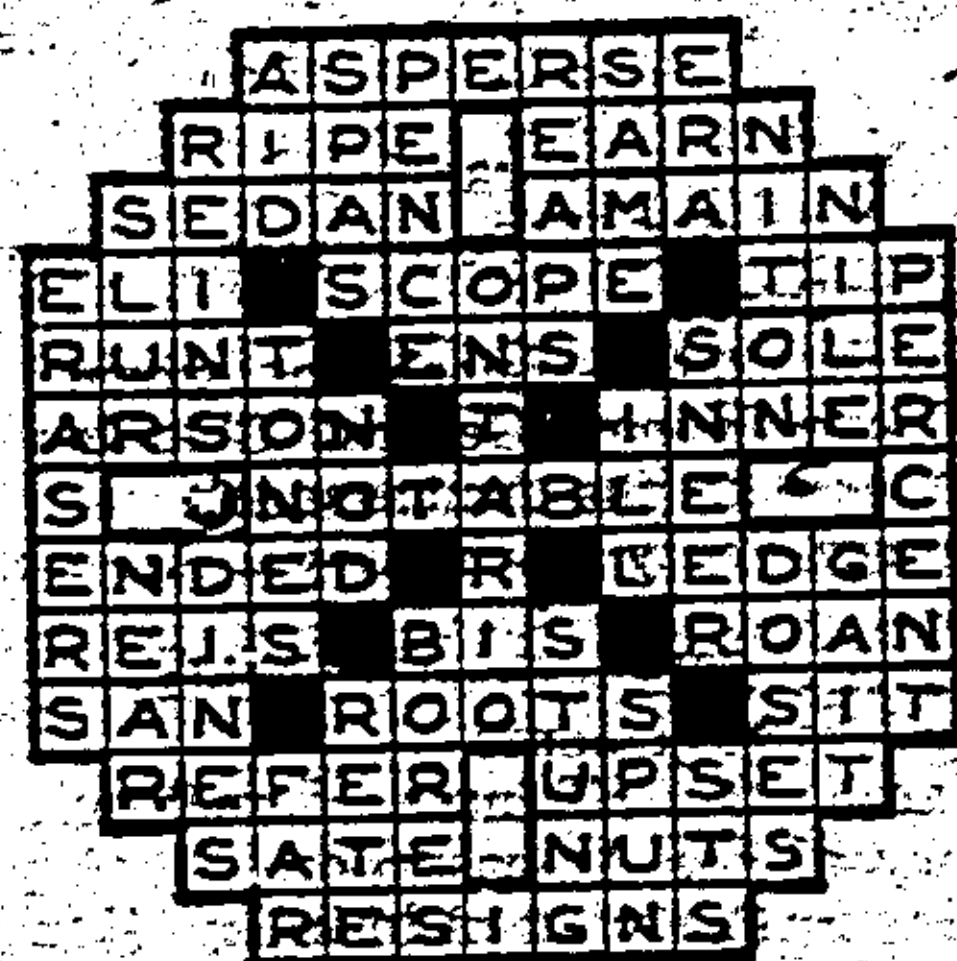
VERTICAL

- 1—Low coral island
- 2—Part of the eye
- 3—A visionary
- 5—Reclaim
- 6—Upon
- 7—Stairway
- 8—Council of state (pl.)
- 9—Ache
- 10—Part of a circle
- 12—Tricky
- 14—Mop

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16—Newt
- 18—A beverage
- 21—The state of being prepared
- 22—Served scantily
- 24—Erases
- 25—Pierced
- 27—Accord
- 30—A flower (pl.)
- 31—Lock of hair
- 33—Unit
- 34—Prefix, Asunder
- 35—Canta (abbr.)
- 36—Female sheep
- 41—Assisted
- 43—Causes
- 45—Prejudiced
- 46—One who speaks imperfectly
- 48—Amount (abbr.)
- 50—Eyes (contd.)
- 51—Pretence
- 52—Vandal (Poet)
- 53—Large monkey
- 55—A continent
- 56—Steal
- 58—Man's name (abbr.)
- 61—Negative

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ON

Thursday, 1st April, 1937, at 6 p.m.

The Public is cordially invited to attend.

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle
will appear in to-morrow's issue.

TEN YEARS' SENTENCE ON JAPANESE DRUG SMUGGLING

K. Itabashi was sentenced to 10 years' hard labour by Sir Atholl MacGregor this morning when found guilty of possession of 724 ounces of heroin and importing it into the Colony.

The jury was absent for eight minutes, and gave a verdict of 6 to 1 in favour of conviction.

"The verdict is one which is amply justified by the evidence. You have seen fit for reasons only known to yourself to take part in a deliberate attempt to bring into the Colony drugs in very large quantity. You know that this quantity was sufficient to poison the whole population of the Colony, including yourself. This is the most serious case of its type that has yet come before this Court," remarked the Chief Justice, in announcing the sentence.

Addressing the Court, Mr. H. G. Sheldon (for the defence) said that the sole issue was, Did or did not the accused know before his arrest that the drugs were in his possession. If his story was untrue, why was Wong Sheung-sang (who is in gaol serving a sentence imposed on him at the last Sessions for a similar offence) not called to testify. He added that it was not for his client to call a man to support his case, if the man was the real culprit. It was for the Crown to call Wong to test if the story was untrue. The one man who knows the truth was not called by the prosecution. The prosecution case that accused and Wong Sheung-sang did not meet until after their arrest was disproved by the two witnesses from Tientsin. Mr. Sheldon submitted that at the very highest the case against the accused was that he may or may not have known what was in the luggage.

In reply, Mr. Abbott said that until yesterday there was not the slightest suggestion that the drugs belonged to Wong. When accused offered Mr. Ward and Mr. Watt \$6,000 he must have known that there was in his luggage a greater amount of drugs than discovered on the wharf at his arrest. Mr. Abbott submitted that the story told by the witnesses from Tientsin was untrue.

Summing up, the Chief Justice remarked that the onus was on the accused to show that he did not know that drugs were in his possession.

Subhas Bose Freed

Calcutta, To-day.

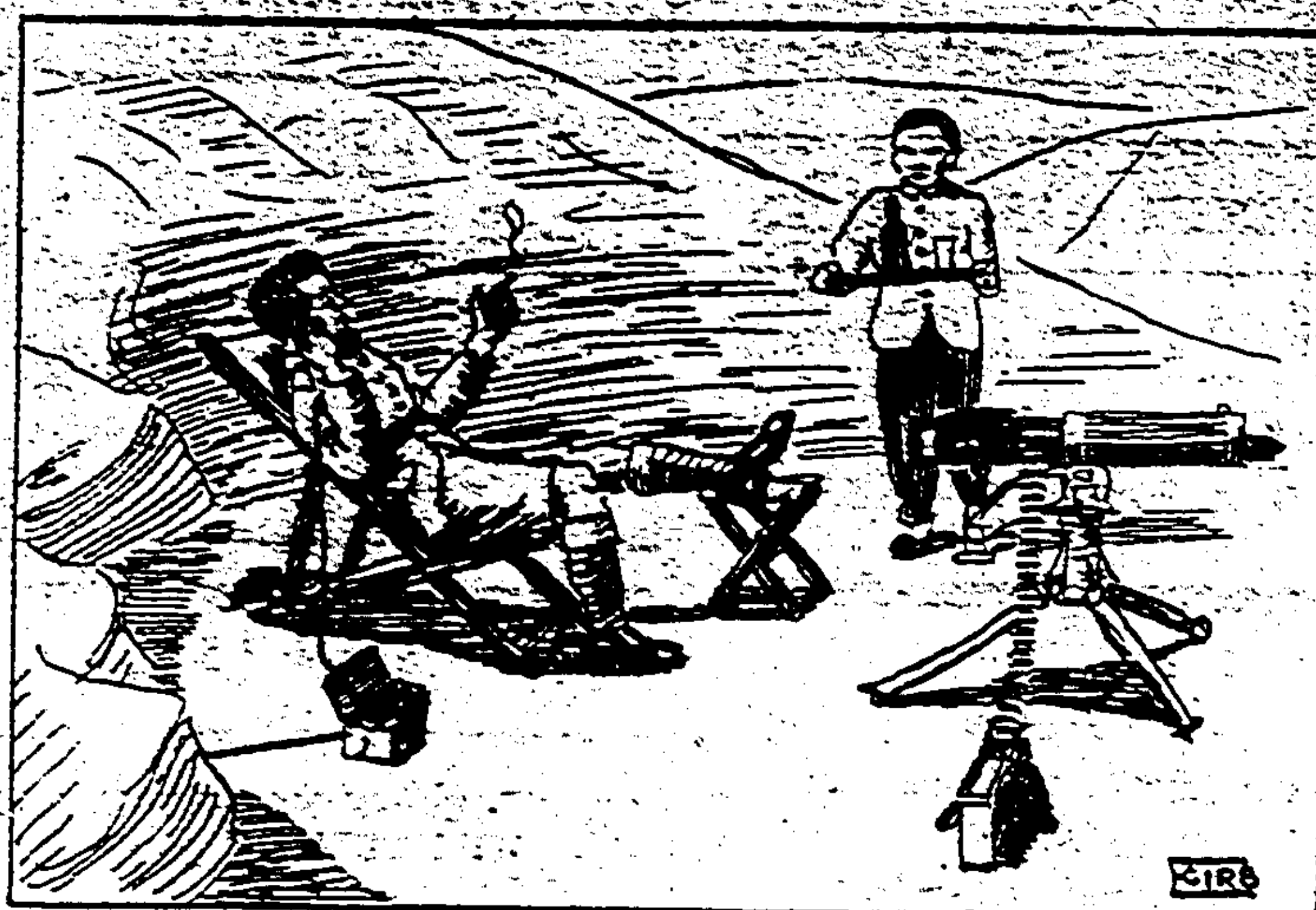
Subhas Bose, the former Mayor of Calcutta, who has been under arrest since April 8, 1936, was released yesterday. — Reuter.

An apprentice, Huen On, aged 19, was badly injured when a wheel fell on him while he was working at the Tong Tai engineering works at Bay View.

Wong Chun, a woman, was knocked down by a motor cycle in Queen's Road East and admitted to the G.C.H.

Pursued by a forestry guard, Tan Luk, a wood cutter, fell down a hill into Stubbs Road and broke his arm and his right leg. He was sent to the G.C.H.

WITH THE VOLUNTEERS



"What's That? Enemy in sight?"
"Boy, PRESS THAT TRIGGER."

VISIT OF H.M. AMBASSADOR ARRIVES IN COLONY NEXT WEEK

GUESTS OF H.E. THE GOVERNOR

His Majesty's Ambassador to China, His Excellency Sir Hughe M. Knatchbull-Hugessen, K.C.M.G., will arrive in Hong Kong on Wednesday afternoon, March 24th, accompanied by Lady Knatchbull-Hugessen, the Misses Knatchbull-Hugessen, Mr. W. G. Graham (Private Secretary), Wing-Commander and Mrs. Kerby (Air Attache), and Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn (Chinese Counsellor).

The Ambassadorial party will arrive by special saloon attached to the express leaving Canton at 1.10 p.m. and due at the Kowloon Terminus at 4.30 p.m. They will be met at the Station by Capt. W. J. R. Cragg, A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor, and cross the harbour on the Governor's M. L. "Britannia": a naval salute will be fired from one of His Majesty's Ships. At Queen's Pier His Excellency the Ambassador will be received with a Military Guard of Honour.

His Excellency Sir Hughe and Lady Knatchbull-Hugessen, the Misses Knatchbull-Hugessen and Mr. W. G. Graham will stay at Government House throughout their visit, of which the following is a summarised programme:

March 24th—Government House Dinner Party.

March 25th—Luncheon given by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce to the Ambassador.

Sherry Party at the Royal Air Force Mess.

March 26th—Good Friday: no formal engagements.

March 27th—Chinese Luncheon in honour of the Ambassador.

Dinner Party at Admiralty House.

March 28th—Luncheon Party at Flagstaff House.

In the afternoon His Excellency the Ambassador and party will embark informally on H.M.S. "Falmouth" for Macau.

HAVOC IN H.K.

(Continued from Page 1)

been inflicted—Kai Tak and on the civilian petrol installations in particular. Three Blue aircraft have been damaged by Red anti-aircraft fire.

Blue landed a considerable force on the Northern and Southern shores of Starling Inlet about 11.00 p.m.

The approach was detected by Red patrol vessels and the Northern landing was engaged by Volun-

Sino-Japanese Economic Discussion

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

PRACTICAL EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SINO-JAPANESE ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION BEGAN TO-DAY WHEN THE JAPANESE ECONOMIC MISSION FROM TOKYO EMBARKED ON A SERIES OF CONFERENCES WITH CHINESE COMMERCIAL LEADERS.

Although the conferences are non-political they have the blessing of both the Chinese and Japanese Governments, and may ultimately react favourably on political relations between the two countries.

The Japanese mission will probably visit North China at the urgent request of the Chinese, who are anxious that they investigate the smuggling situation.

Warning Note

The Chinese press strikes a warning note regarding the increasing tension in North China over the smuggling question.

The "Ta Wan Pao" alleges that Japanese and Korean smugglers are now carrying arms as a sequel to the killing of two smugglers near Tientsin.

The paper suggests that "incidents" are being deliberately courted in order to stultify Tokyo's new conciliatory policy towards China. — Reuter.

teer beach machine guns and a detachment of the Kumaon Rifles. One Blue party was decimated by the Volunteers.

Elements of Kumaon Rifles were sent forward in lorries to reinforce but fell into a trap and were captured.

COMMUNICATIONS DAMAGED
Blue succeeded in doing considerable damage to Red communications and electric power installations East of Fanling. The party then withdrew voluntarily, their withdrawal being harassed by Red armoured cars, one of which crashed into a well-hidden road-crater and was ditched.

Red territory is intact. Blue's action during the night might be summarized as a number of raids by sea, land and air in an endeavour to inflict material damage and to cause Red Commanders to dissipate their strength. In regard to the latter, the Blue plan has not succeeded.

Use of carrier pigeons by the Royal Welch Fusiliers is proving a valuable adjunct to the system of communication.

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WARNING TO JAPAN

London, To-day.

No Power has anything to gain by resumption of qualitative naval competition, in which the only limit is the sky, says the "Times."

It will be prevented if the Japanese Government, before April 1, undertakes to accept the 14-inch gun.

In the next fortnight the world has the opportunity of avoiding some of the worst evils which in the past have arisen from human folly.

If the opportunity is lost and the world reverts to an unrestricted battle of the building yards, it will be quite clear where the responsibility lies.

It is devoutly hoped, the article concludes, that better counsels will prevail than are foreshadowed in telegrams from Tokyo. — Reuter.

RECEPTION FOR ADM. ESTEVA

Large Attendance At Consulate

The reception held at the French Consulate this morning in honour of the visiting commander-in-chief of the French Asiatic Squadron, Vice-Admiral Esteva, was largely attended.

M. Leurquin, the Consul for France, received the guests who included Vice-Admiral Sir Charles and Lady Little, Vice-Admiral and Mrs. Talbot, Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Sedgwick, Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor, Brigadier and Mrs. Seth Smith, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. B. A. C. North, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. Taylor, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Commander and Mrs. Hole, Hon. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson, Hon. Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Wellington, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carrie, the Consul Body, officers of the U.S.S. Mindanao and Sacramento, officers of the Lamotte-Picquet and Argus, leading French residents.

Many British army and naval officers were unable to attend owing to the manoeuvres.

CHARTERED BANK DIVIDEND

The Chartered Bank has received the following telegram from the head office in London:—At the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, Directors will recommend a Final Dividend at the rate of 14% per annum subject to Income Tax. Added to Pension Fund \$35,000. Set aside to meet contingencies \$40,000. Carried forward \$182,719,183.104.

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